

ATTACK on TITAN

The cover art for Attack on Titan Volume 5 depicts a night scene in a city. A massive Titan's head looms over the city from the left, its face contorted in a grimace. In the foreground, Eren Yeager, wearing a green cloak, looks down with a determined expression. Behind him, Mikasa Ackerman, also in a green cloak, looks forward with a serious expression. To the right, Armin Arlelt and Jean Kirschtein are visible, with Jean riding a horse. The background shows the city's architecture and a large, dark, vertical structure, possibly a wall or a building.

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ISAYAMA



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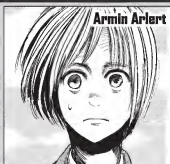
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TRAINING CORPS



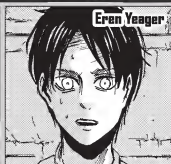
Armin Arlert

Eren and Mikasa's childhood friend. Though Armin isn't athletic in the least, he is an excellent thinker and can produce unique ideas.



Mikasa Ackerman

Mikasa graduated at the top of her training corps. Her parents were murdered before her eyes when she was a child. After that, she was raised alongside Eren, whom she tenaciously tries to protect.



Eren Yeager

Longing for the world outside the wall, Eren aims to join the Survey Corps. He can turn himself into a Titan.



Jean Kirstein

Superior at vertical maneuvering. Jean is honest to a fault, which often puts him at odds with other people.



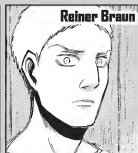
Annie Leonhart

Annie's small stature belies her great skill in the art of hand-to-hand combat. She's a realist through and through, and tends to be a loner.



Bertolt Hoover

Has a high degree of skill in everything he's been taught, but is indecisive and lacks initiative.



Reiner Braun

Graduated second in his training corps. Reiner is as strong as an ox and has the will to match. His comrades have a great deal of trust in him.



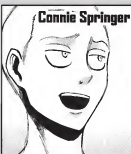
Krista Lenz

Extremely short, with a friendly, warm-hearted personality.



Sasha Blouse

Sasha is very agile and has remarkable instincts. Owing to her unconventional, she isn't suited for organized activity.



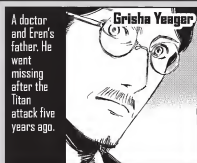
Connie Springer

Effective at vertical maneuvering, but slow on the uptake, so his comprehension of tactics is less than stellar.



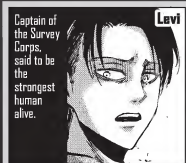
Marco Bott

Yearned to join the Military Police Brigade so he could serve the king. Marco died during the Titan mop-up operation.



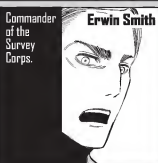
Grisha Yeager

A doctor and Eren's father. He went missing after the Titan attack five years ago.



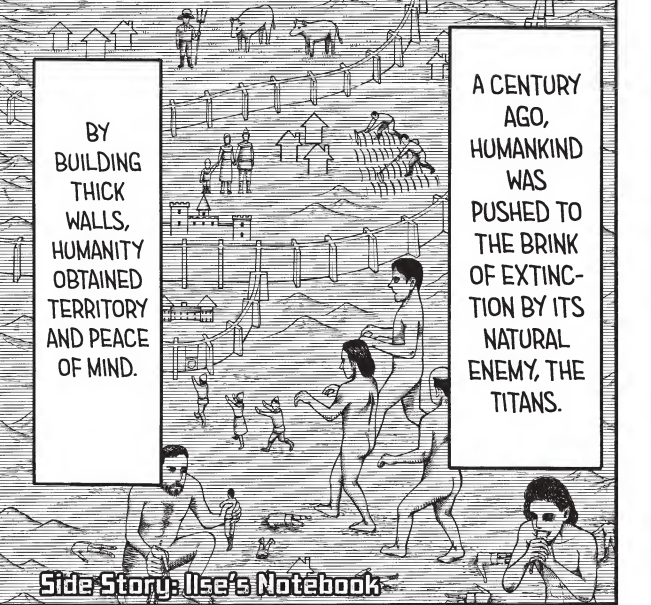
Levi

Captain of the Survey Corps, said to be the strongest human alive.



Erwin Smith

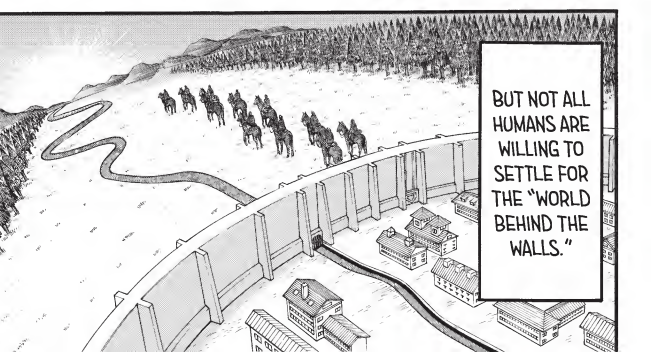
Commander of the Survey Corps.



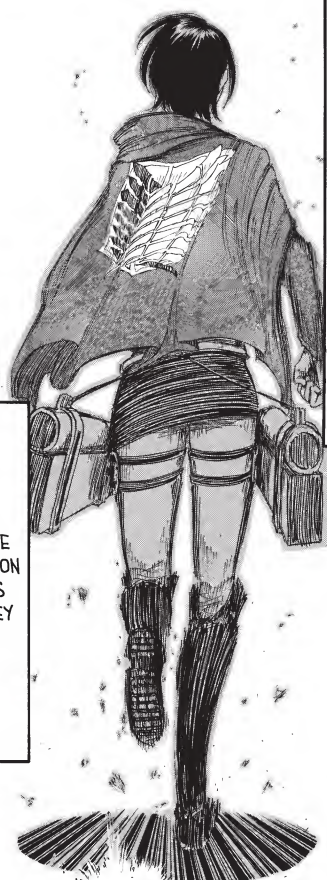
BY
BUILDING
THICK
WALLS,
HUMANITY
OBTAINED
TERRITORY
AND PEACE
OF MIND.

A CENTURY
AGO,
HUMANKIND
WAS
PUSHED TO
THE BRINK
OF EXTINC-
TION BY ITS
NATURAL
ENEMY, THE
TITANS.

Side Story: Ise's Notebook

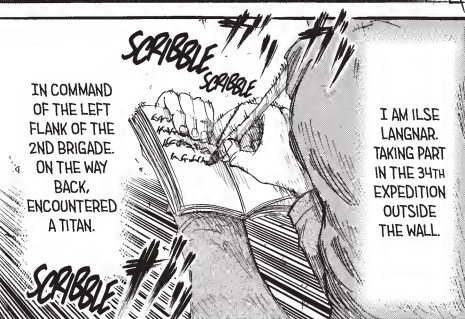


BUT NOT ALL
HUMANS ARE
WILLING TO
SETTLE FOR
THE "WORLD
BEHIND THE
WALLS."



THERE ARE
THOSE WHO
LEAVE THIS
SANCTUARY
AND
VENTURE
FORTH INTO
TITAN
TERRITORY.

THIS IS THE
ORGANIZATION
KNOWN AS
THE SURVEY
CORPS.

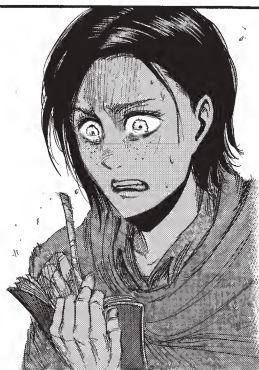


IN COMMAND
OF THE LEFT
FLANK OF THE
2ND BRIGADE.
ON THE WAY
BACK,
ENCOUNTERED
A TITAN.

I AM ILSE
LANGNAR.
TAKING PART
IN THE 34TH
EXPEDITION
OUTSIDE
THE WALL.



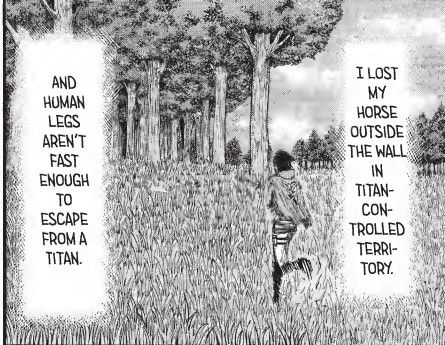
...AND
RAN
NORTH.



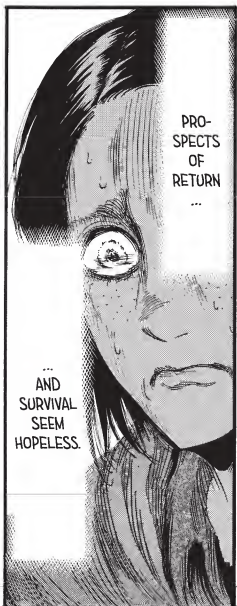
LOST
SQUADMATES
AND HORSES.
ABANDONED
MY BROKEN
VERTICAL
MANEUVERING
EQUIPMENT...



AND
HUMAN
LEGS
AREN'T
FAST
ENOUGH
TO
ESCAPE
FROM A
TITAN.

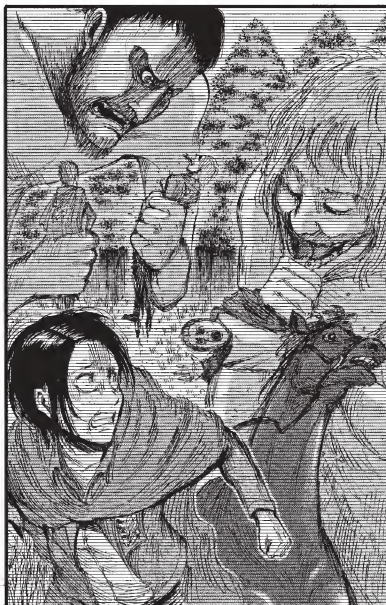


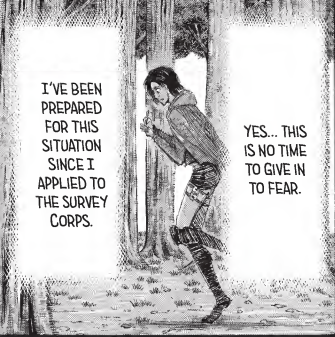
I LOST
MY
HORSE
OUTSIDE
THE WALL
IN
TITAN-
CON-
TROLLED
TERRI-
TORY.



PRO-
SPECTS
OF
RETURN
...

...
AND
SURVIVAL
SEEM
HOPELESS.





I'VE BEEN
PREPARED
FOR THIS
SITUATION
SINCE I
APPLIED TO
THE SURVEY
CORPS.

YES... THIS
IS NO TIME
TO GIVE IN
TO FEAR.



STILL... I MAY
MAKE IT BACK
TO THE WALL,
IF I DON'T
ENCOUNTER
ANY TITANS.



EVEN IF IT
MEANS
LAYING DOWN
OUR LIVES,
WE FIGHT TO
THE END.

I AM A MEMBER
OF THE SURVEY
CORPS, THE
WINGS OF
HUMANITY. WE DO
NOT FEAR DEATH.

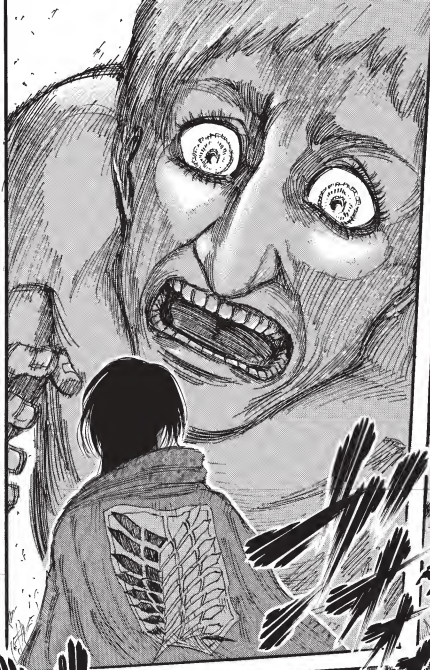


I WILL RECORD
WHAT HAPPENS
TO ME ON THIS
PAPER, AND I
WILL DO
EVERYTHING I
CAN. I WILL NOT
SUCCUMB.

I HAVE NO
WEAPONS,
BUT I CAN
STILL FIGHT.



I
WILL
NOT
SUCCUMB.







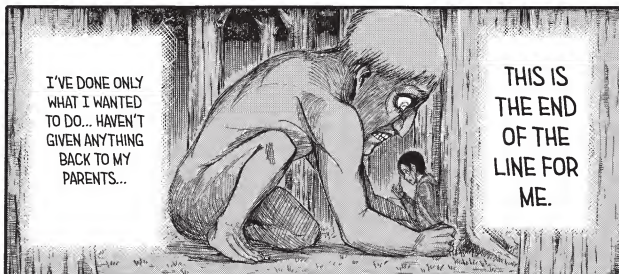
LIKELY AN
ABNORMAL
...

6-METER*
CLASS... IT
DOESN'T EAT
ME RIGHT
AWAY...



NGH...

* ABOUT 20 FEET.



I'VE DONE ONLY
WHAT I WANTED
TO DO... HAVEN'T
GIVEN ANYTHING
BACK TO MY
PARENTS...

THIS IS
THE END
OF THE
LINE FOR
ME.



...OF...
Y...
MIR...

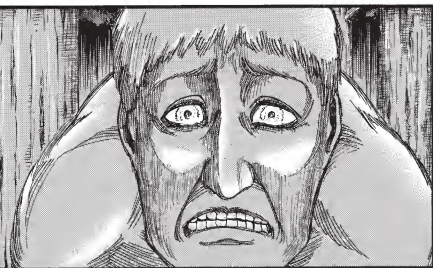
...A
SUB...
JECT
...

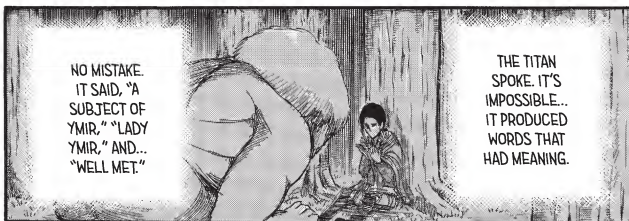
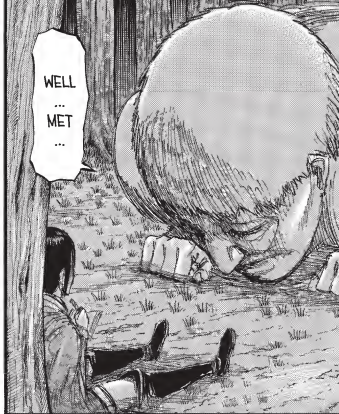
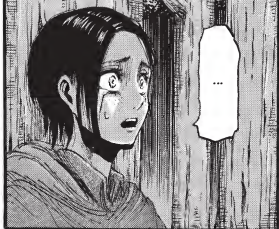


OOH
...
OOH
...

I
FEEL
SICK.

IT'S
OVER.





NO MISTAKE.
IT SAID, "A
SUBJECT OF
YMIR," "LADY
YMIR," AND...
"WELL MET."

THE TITAN
SPOKE. IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE...
IT PRODUCED
WORDS THAT
HAD MEANING.



I
COMMUNI-
CATED
WITH A
TITAN.

I DON'T
BELIEVE IT.
FOR THE
FIRST TIME
IN HUMAN
HISTORY...



IT FELL
TO ITS
HANDS
AND
KNEES,
AS IF TO
SHOW ME
RESPECT.

THIS
TITAN'S
FACE
CHANG-
ES
EX-
PRES-
SIONS.

ASKED
THE TITAN
ABOUT
ITS
NATURE.



W-WHAT
ARE
YOU?



OONH
...

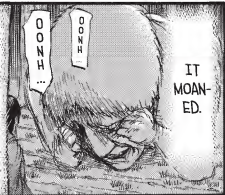


WHERE
DID
YOU
COME
FROM?



ASKED
ABOUT
ITS
ORIGINS.

IT
DIDN'T
FORM
WORDS.



IT
MOAN-
ED.

ASKED
ABOUT
ITS
PURPOSE.



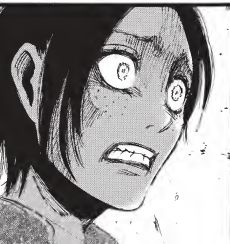
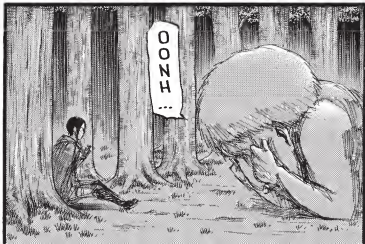
WHY DO
YOU EAT
US?

OONH
...

NO RE-
SPONSE.



OONH
...



AREN'T
YOU JUST
MINDLESS,
WORTH-
LESS
LUMPS OF
MEAT?!

YOU DON'T
NEED TO
EAT
ANYTHING
TO LIVE!!
SO WHY?!

WHY
DO
YOU
EAT
US?!



RIP
RIP
RIP

OOZH...

OOZH...

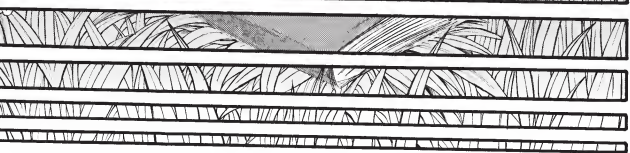
RIP

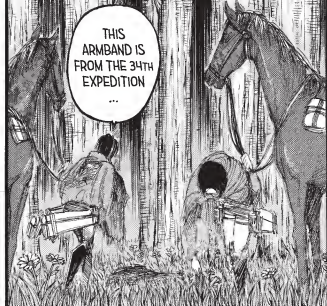
GET
OUT OF
OUR
WORLD
!!











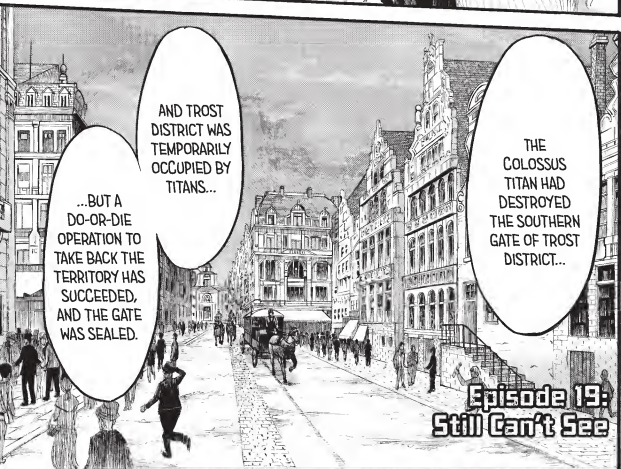


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THE
INTERIOR
WAS IN A
STATE OF
CONFUSION,
JUST LIKE
FIVE YEARS
AGO.

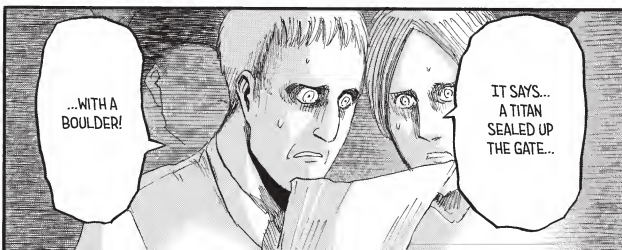
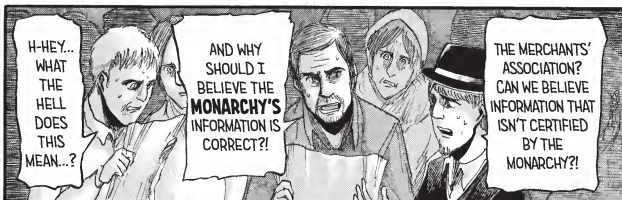
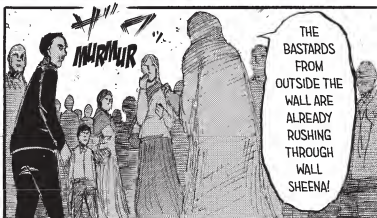


AND TROST
DISTRICT WAS
TEMPORARILY
OCCUPIED BY
TITANS...

THE
COLOSSUS
TITAN HAD
DESTROYED
THE SOUTHERN
GATE OF TROST
DISTRICT...

...BUT A
DO-OR-DIE
OPERATION TO
TAKE BACK THE
TERRITORY HAS
SUCCEEDED,
AND THE GATE
WAS SEALED.

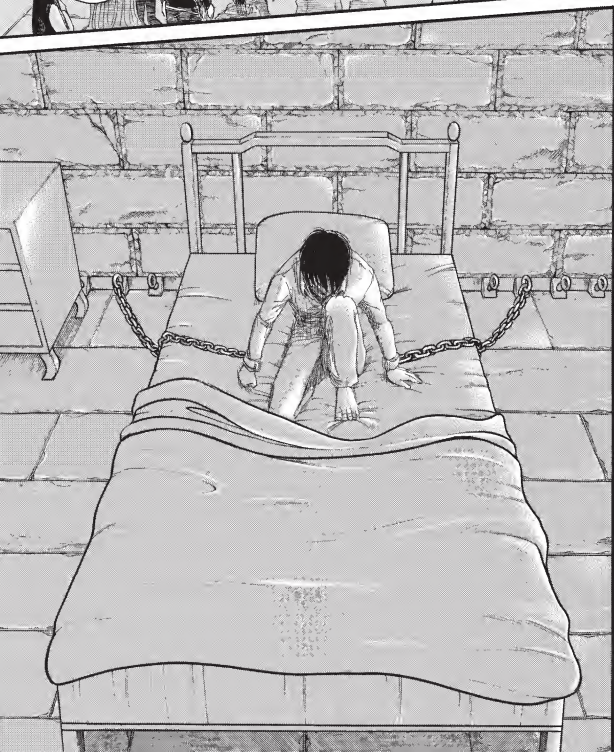
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Still Can't See

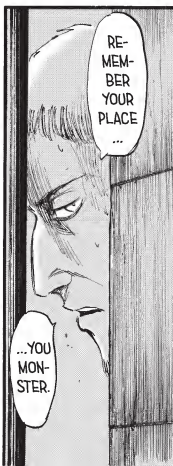
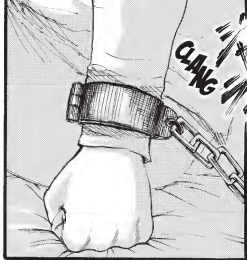


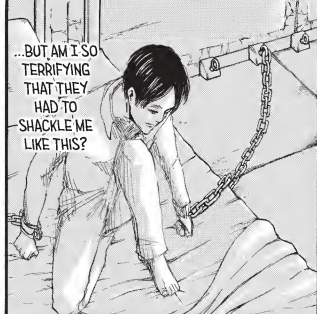


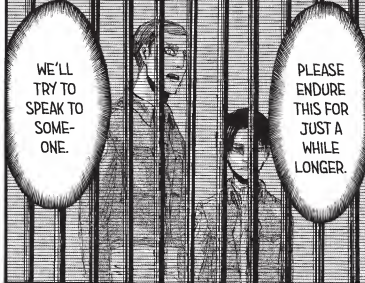
ARE THEY
SAYING A TITAN
WAS ON **OUR**
SIDE...?

WHAT
DOES
THAT
MEAN
...?







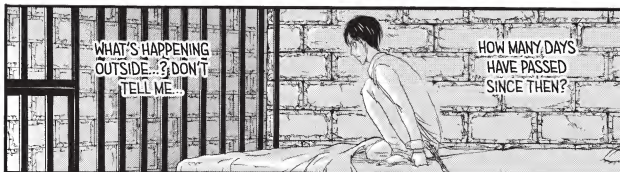


WE'LL
TRY TO
SPEAK TO
SOME-
ONE.

PLEASE
ENDURE
THIS FOR
JUST A
WHILE
LONGER.



WHAT WOULD ALL
OF THEM THINK IF
THEY SAW ME NOW?



WHAT'S HAPPENING
OUTSIDE...? DON'T
TELL ME...

HOW MANY DAYS
HAVE PASSED
SINCE THEN?



///
//
X KACHA

...I'M GOING TO
SPEND THE REST OF
MY LIFE IN HERE...?



///
//
COP
COP

CREAK

!



BUT IT
LOOKS
LIKE YOU
CAN
FINALLY
GET OUT
OF HERE.



...!



EREN,
I'M
SORRY
...

WE
KEPT
YOU
WAIT-
ING.

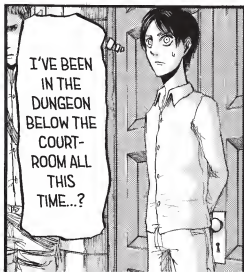


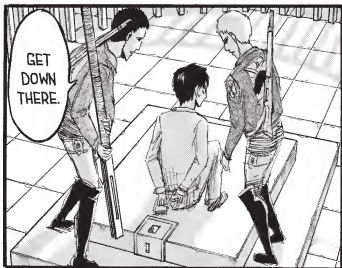
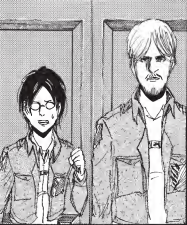
...
AND
HE'S
...

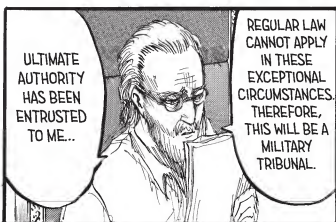
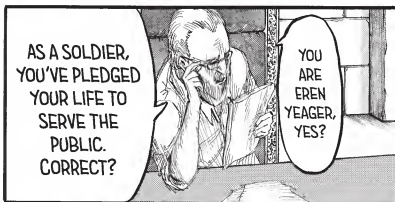
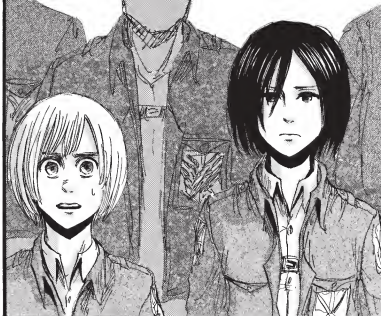
I'M ZOË
HANGE,
A SQUAD
LEADER IN
THE
SURVEY
CORPS...

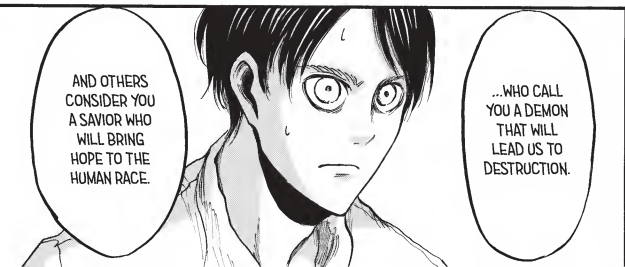
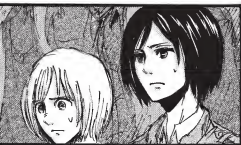














WHEN WE ARE
EVENTUALLY FORCED
TO MAKE AN OFFICIAL
ANNOUNCEMENT
ABOUT YOU, IT WILL
INEVITABLY PRODUCE
A NEW THREAT IN
ADDITION TO THE
TITANS.

AS
EXPECTED,
IT PROVED
IMPOSSIBLE TO
HIDE YOUR
EXISTENCE FROM
THE GENERAL
PUBLIC.



THAT
DECISION WILL
DETERMINE
HOW YOU ARE
DEALT WITH.

WE'RE HERE TO
DECIDE WHICH BRANCH
OF THE MILITARY WILL
BE RESPONSIBLE FOR
YOUR ACTIVITIES.



OR THE
SURVEY
CORPS...



THE
MILITARY
POLICE
BRIGADE
...



...
AND WE
BE-
LIEVE
...

I AM CHIEF
NILE DOK OF
THE MILITARY
POLICE
BRIGADE...

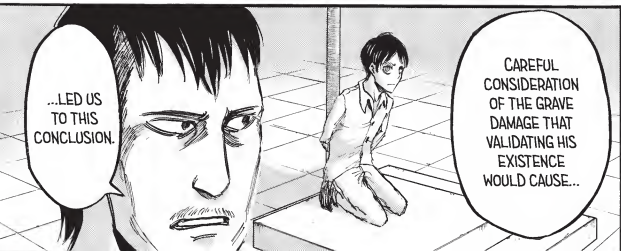


WE'LL
HEAR FROM
THE
MILITARY
POLICE
BRIGADE
FIRST.



...AFTER
WHICH IT
SHOULD BE
DISPOSED OF
WITHOUT
DELAY.

...THAT EREN'S
BODY SHOULD
BE
THOROUGHLY
EXAMINED...



...LED US
TO THIS
CONCLUSION.

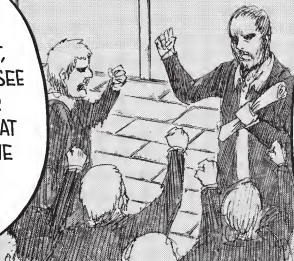
CAREFUL
CONSIDERATION
OF THE GRAVE
DAMAGE THAT
VALIDATING HIS
EXISTENCE
WOULD CAUSE...

YET
DESPITE THE
CURRENT SITUATION,
THOSE PEOPLE,
INCLUDING THE
ROYAL FAMILY, HAVE
STUCK TO THEIR
POLICY OF NONINTER-
FERENCE IN MATTERS
OUTSIDE THE WALL,
JUST AS THEY DID
FIVE YEARS
AGO.



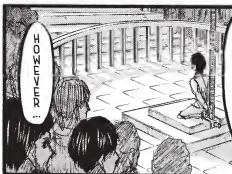
THOSE
WHO HOLD THE
REINS OF POWER
IN THE CENTER
REGARD HIM AS
A THREAT.

AS A RESULT,
WE MAY EVEN SEE
A CIVIL WAR
CONSUME WHAT
TERRITORY WE
HAVE LEFT.



HOWEVER, THE
MASSES SEE EREN
AS A HERO FOR HIS
PART IN THE
COUNTERATTACK.
THIS HAS SPARKED
A BACKLASH,
CHIEFLY AMONG
MERCHANTS AND
THE PEOPLE OF
WALL ROSE.

IT'S
UNDENIABLE THAT
HIS TITAN POWER
DESERVES CREDIT
FOR REPELLING
THIS LATEST
ATTACK.



WHAT
THE
HELL IS
HAPPEN-
ING OUT
THERE
...?

A
HERO
?!



IN NO TIME,
HE'S BECOME
A HIGHLY
POLITICIZED
FIGURE.

IT'S
ALSO FACT
THAT HIS
EXISTENCE
CAUSES
REAL HARM.



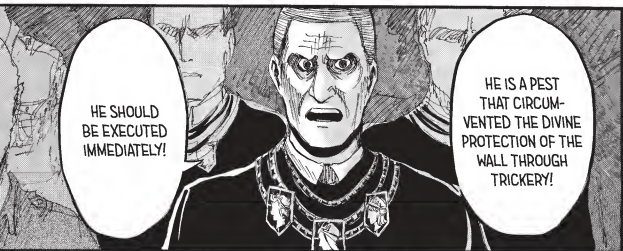


! THAT ISN'T NECESSARY!



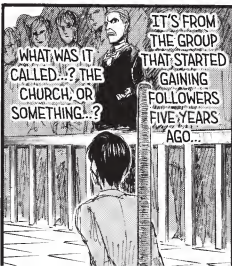
THEREFORE, AFTER WE EXTRACT AS MUCH INFORMATION AS WE CAN FROM HIM...

...WE WILL TURN HIM INTO A MARTYR FOR THE HUMAN RACE.



HE SHOULD BE EXECUTED IMMEDIATELY!

HE IS A PEST THAT CIRCUMVENTED THE DIVINE PROTECTION OF THE WALL THROUGH TRICKERY!

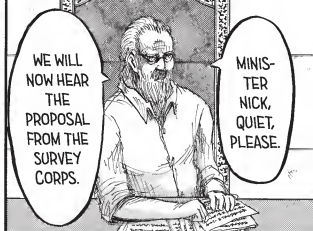
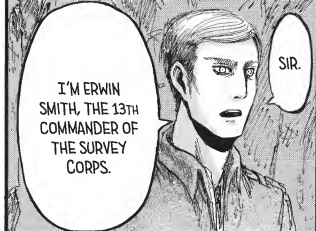


WHAT WAS IT CALLED...? THE CHURCH, OR SOMETHING...?

IT'S FROM THE GROUP THAT STARTED GAINING FOLLOWERS FIVE YEARS AGO...

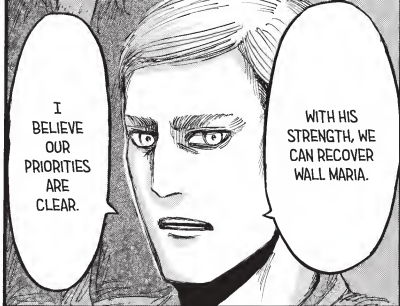


!...THAT UNIFORM...





...I
SEE.



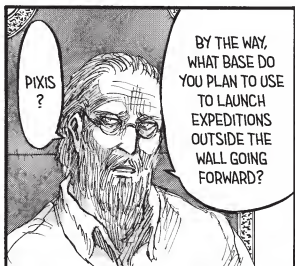
I
BELIEVE
OUR
PRIORITIES
ARE
CLEAR.

WITH HIS
STRENGTH, WE
CAN RECOVER
WALL MARIA.



YES...
THAT GATE
WILL
NEVER
OPEN
AGAIN.

THE TROST
DISTRICT WALL
IS NOW
COMPLETELY
SEALED, IS IT
NOT?



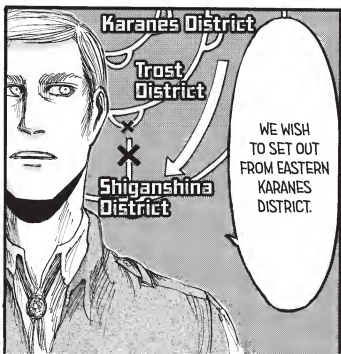
PIXIS
?

BY THE WAY,
WHAT BASE DO
YOU PLAN TO USE
TO LAUNCH
EXPEDITIONS
OUTSIDE THE
WALL GOING
FORWARD?



...COM-
PLETELY
FROM
SCRATCH.

WE NEED TO
DEVELOP A
NEW ROUTE
TO
SHIGAN-
SHINA
DISTRICT
...



Karanes District

Trost
District

Shiganshina
District

WE WISH
TO SET OUT
FROM EASTERN
KARANES
DISTRICT.

IF WE JUST
REINFORCED
THOSE AREAS,
THEY WOULD
NEVER BE
ABLE TO
ATTACK US
AGAIN...

THE
COLOSSUS
TITAN HAS
ONLY BEEN
ABLE TO
DESTROY THE
GATES IN THE
WALLS!

HOLD ON!
ISN'T IT
TIME WE
SEALED
OFF ALL
THE GATES
**PERMA-
NENTLY?**

WE WON'T
LET YOU
PLAY AT
BEING
HEROES ANY
LONGER!

ALL YOU
PEOPLE DO IS
BLURT OUT
UNREALISTIC
IDEALS WHILE
PLUNGING US
FURTHER INTO
RUIN!

THE
CONSER-
VATIVES
ARE
HERE,
TOO?

DO THOSE
DOGS IN THE
MERCHANTS'
ASSOCIATION
REALLY WANT
LAND THAT
BADLY?!

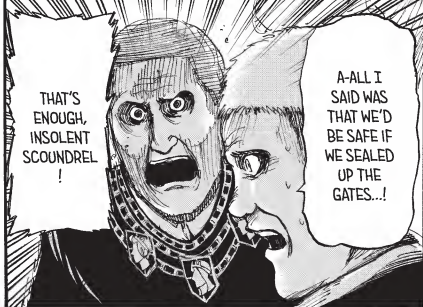
...BUT WHERE'S
YOUR GUARANTEE
THAT THE TITANS
WILL WAIT
PATIENTLY WHILE
WE WALL UP THE
GATES?

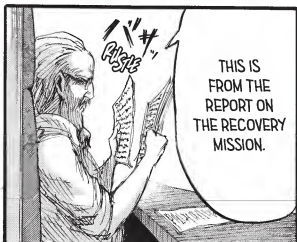
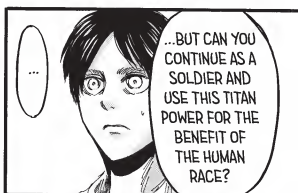
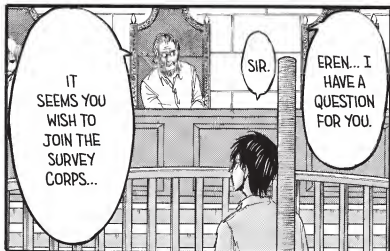
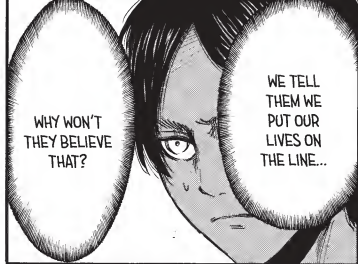
YOU'RE
FULL
OF
TALK,
YOU
PIG...

YOU PIGS TAKE NO
NOTICE OF THE
PEOPLE WHO CAN'T
EAT BECAUSE
THERE ISN'T
ENOUGH LAND!

YOU'RE
TALKING
ABOUT MY
FRIENDS, WHO
PROTECT YOU
WHILE YOU
GET FAT.

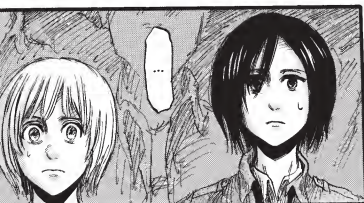
WHEN
YOU
SAY
"WE,"







RIGHT
AFTER
BECOMING A
TITAN... YOU
SWUNG YOUR
FIST THREE
TIMES AT
MIKASA
ACKERMAN.

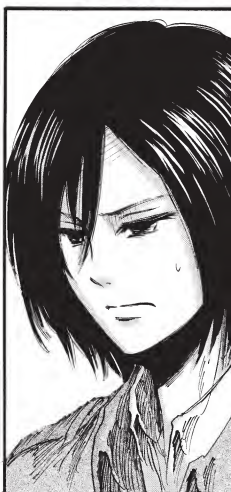
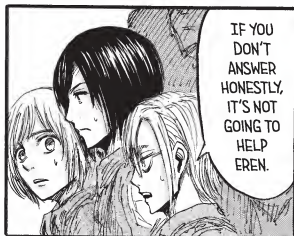


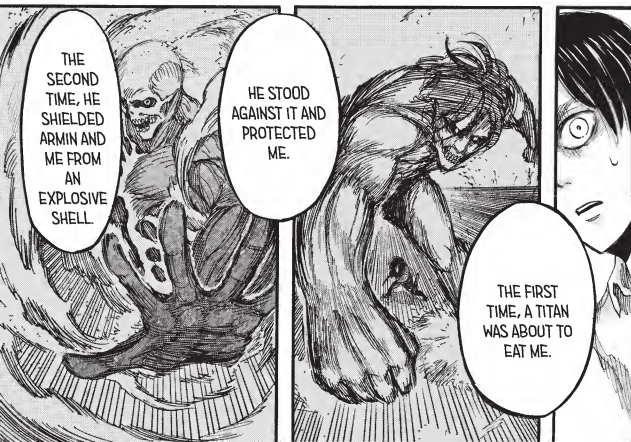
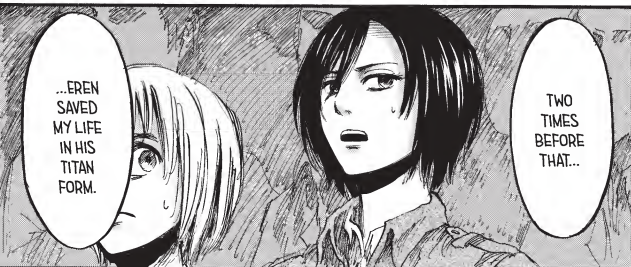
COVERING
UP THE TRUTH
WOULDN'T DO
HUMANITY
ANY GOOD.

WHAT
WAS I
SUPPOSED
TO DO, LIE
IN THE
REPORT?



I KNEW IT...
HE DOESN'T
REMEMBER
NOT BEING IN
CONTROL.

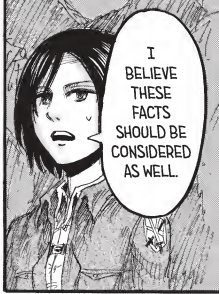






EVERYTHING
YOU JUST SAID
IS IN THE
REPORT...

I
WONDER.

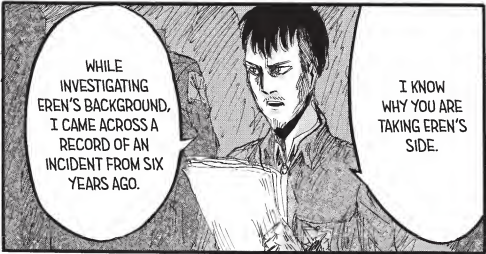


I
BELIEVE
THESE
FACTS
SHOULD BE
CONSIDERED
AS WELL.



...REDUCING
THEIR OBJECTIVE
VALUE, IN MY
JUDGMENT.

...BUT WISHFUL
THINKING HAS
SEVERELY
CLOUDED YOUR
VIEWS...



WHILE
INVESTIGATING
EREN'S BACKGROUND,
I CAME ACROSS A
RECORD OF AN
INCIDENT FROM SIX
YEARS AGO.

I KNOW
WHY YOU ARE
TAKING EREN'S
SIDE.

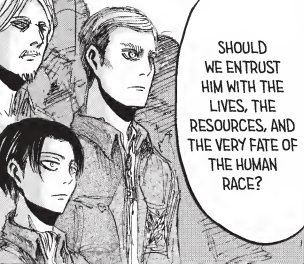


...!

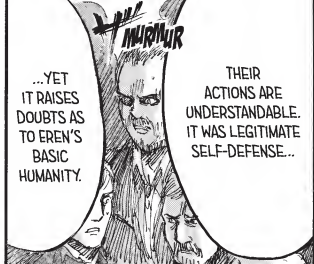


...THEY
STABBED
THREE ADULT
ROBBERS TO
DEATH.

ASTONISHINGLY,
WHEN THESE
TWO WERE NINE
YEARS OLD...



SHOULD
WE ENTRUST
HIM WITH THE
LIVES, THE
RESOURCES, AND
THE VERY FATE OF
THE HUMAN
RACE?



...YET
IT RAISES
DOUBTS AS
TO EREN'S
BASIC
HUMANITY.

THEIR
ACTIONS ARE
UNDERSTANDABLE.
IT WAS LEGITIMATE
SELF-DEFENSE...



BUT IN
THE END, HE
COULDN'T
HIDE HIS
VIOLENT
NATURE!

THAT'S RIGHT!
HE MUST BE A TITAN
THAT TOOK THE
FORM OF A CHILD
TO INFILTRATE OUR
SOCIETY!



THOSE
SHACKLES
MEAN
NOTHING!

HE'S RIGHT IN
FRONT OF US,
LIKE A POWDER
KEG THAT COULD
EXPLODE ANY
MINUTE!



IS THIS
ANY TIME TO
BE HAVING A
LEISURELY
DEBATE?



HOW DO
WE KNOW
SHE'S
HUMAN?



THAT
ONE,
TOO!



UH-OH...
I'D
BETTER
SAY SOME-
THING,
OR...



YOU'RE
WRONG...

I...
I MEAN
...

NO
!!

JUST IN
CASE, WE
SHOULD
DISSECT
THEM
BOTH...

Y
E
A
H!



...BUT
MIKASA
HAS
NOTHING
TO DO
WITH IT.

I MAY BE A
MONSTER...



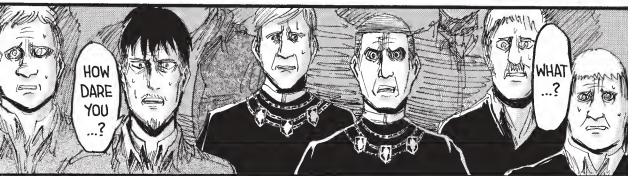


BUT
ONCE
YOU'VE CUT
YOURSELVES
OFF FROM
REALITY,
IT'S ALL
POINT-
LESS!

AND
WHAT'S MORE...
EVERYONE'S JUST
SAYING WHATEVER
SPECULATION
HAPPENS TO BE
CONVENIENT TO
THEM!



SHE'S
NOT
IN-
VOLV-
ED.



HOW
DARE
YOU
...?

WHAT
...?



MAYBE
I
SHOULD
JUST
SHUT
UP...

...YOU
PEOPLE
HAVE NEVER
EVEN SEEN
A TITAN, SO
WHAT ARE
YOU SO
AFRAID
OF?

IN THE
FIRST
PLACE...

IS
THIS...
A BAD
IDEA
...?

YOU
...
COWARDS
...

...I'LL
TELL
THESE
COWARDS
...

IF YOU'RE
AFRAID OF
FIGHTING
FOR YOUR
OWN LIVES,
THEN
PLEASE,
HELP
ME!

WHAT CAN
WE DO
WHEN THE
PEOPLE
WHO HAVE
POWER
DON'T FIGHT?

I'M
GOING TO
TELL
THEM...
EVERY-
THING I'M
THINKING
....

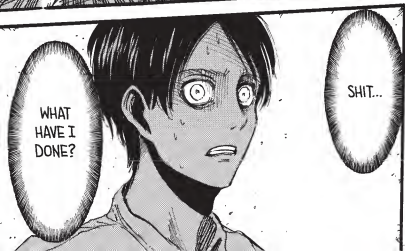
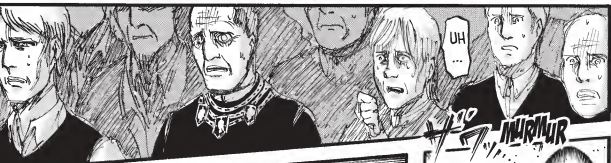
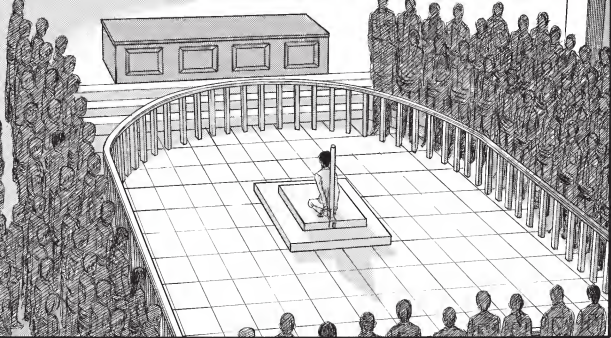
NO
...

KACHA

...AND
INVEST
EVERY-
THING
IN ME!!

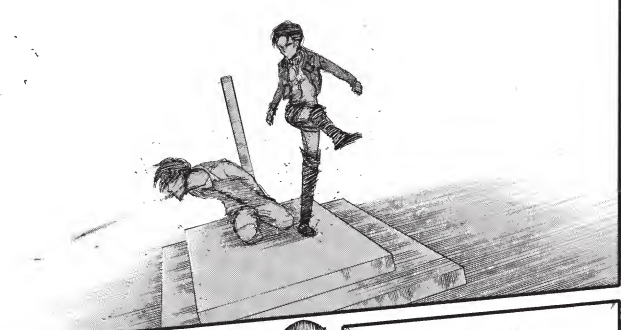
KACHA

JUST
SHUT
YOUR
MOUTHS...



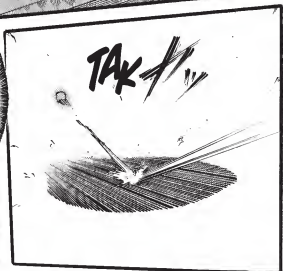
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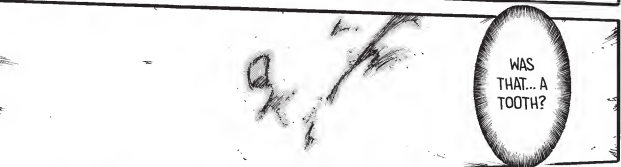


SOME-
THING
FLEW
OUT...

...?



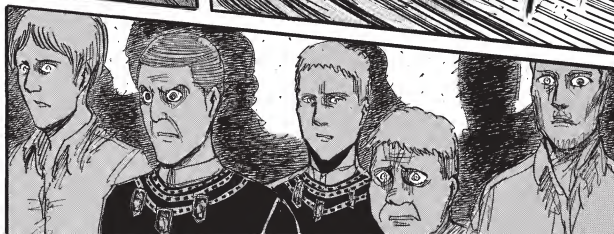
TAK



WAS
THAT... A
TOOTH?

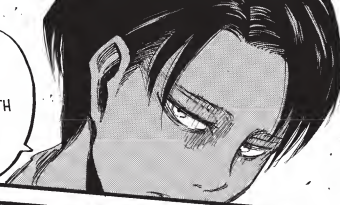


...MY
TOOTH?









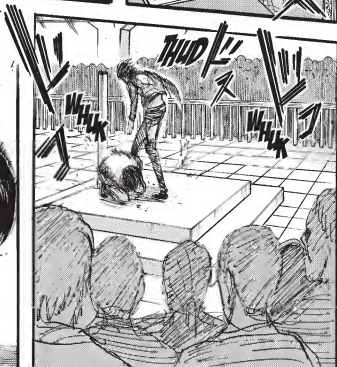
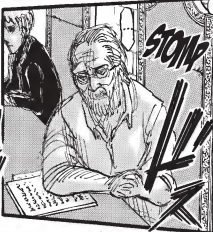
CAN'T BE
TAUGHT WITH
WORDS...

THE
LESSON
YOU NEED TO
LEARN RIGHT
NOW...

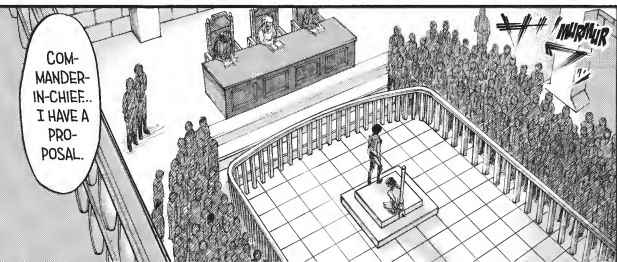
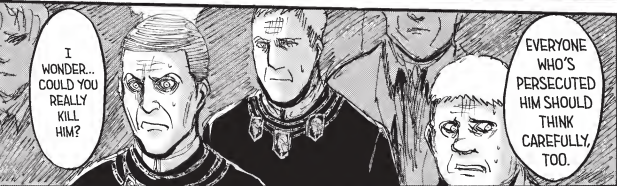
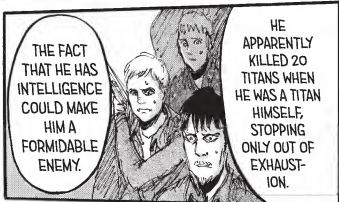
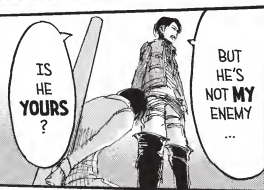
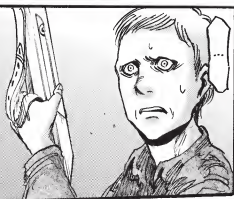


AND
YOU'RE
KNEELING,
WHICH MAKES
YOU EASY TO
KICK.

...ONLY
WITH
ACTION.









...I
WOULD
PAIR HIM
UP WITH
CAPTAIN
LEVI AS A
FAILSAFE.

THEREFORE,
IN THE EVENT
THAT YOU
DECIDE TO
PUT HIM
UNDER OUR
CONTROL...



THERE
ARE MANY
UNKNOWN
ELEMENTS
BEHIND
EREN'S TITAN
POWER.

DANGER
WILL
ALWAYS BE
LURKING
BENEATH
THE SUR-
FACE.



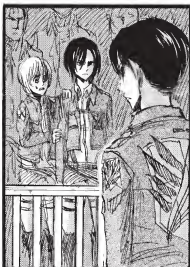
IF YOU
MEAN
KILLING
HIM, IT'S
NO
PROBLEM.

CAN
YOU
DO IT,
LEVI?



I
SEE
...

SOMEONE
AS SKILLED AS
THE CAPTAIN
WOULD BE ABLE
TO DEAL WITH
EREN EVEN IN A
WORST-CASE
SCENARIO.

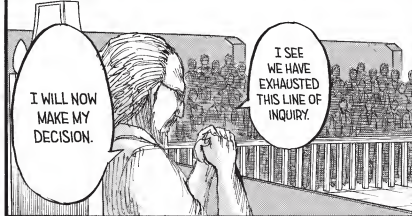


...!
RATHER,
THE PROBLEM
IS THERE
WOULD BE NO
HALF-
MEASURES
...



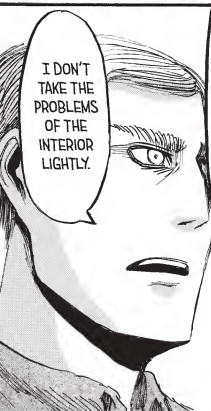
PLEASE,
WAIT!

...!



I WILL NOW
MAKE MY
DECISION.

I SEE
WE HAVE
EXHAUSTED
THIS LINE OF
INQUIRY.



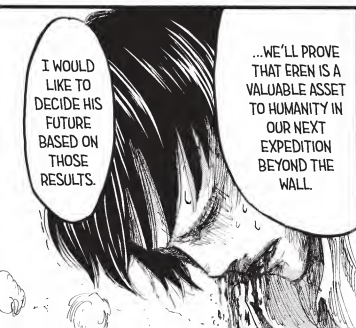
I DON'T
TAKE THE
PROBLEMS
OF THE
INTERIOR
LIGHTLY.

I'M QUITE
AWARE THAT
OUR
ACTIVITIES
OUTSIDE THE
WALL DEPEND
ON THE
STABILITY OF
THE HUMAN
RACE.



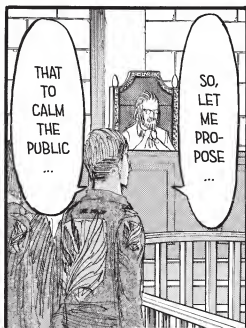
WHAT
WILL YOU
DO ABOUT
THE
INTERIOR
?!

ERWIN...
I WANT
TO ASK
YOU.



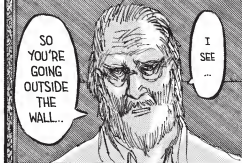
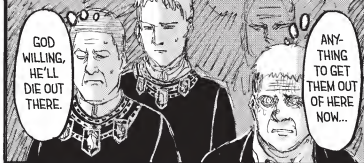
I WOULD
LIKE TO
DECIDE HIS
FUTURE
BASED ON
THOSE
RESULTS.

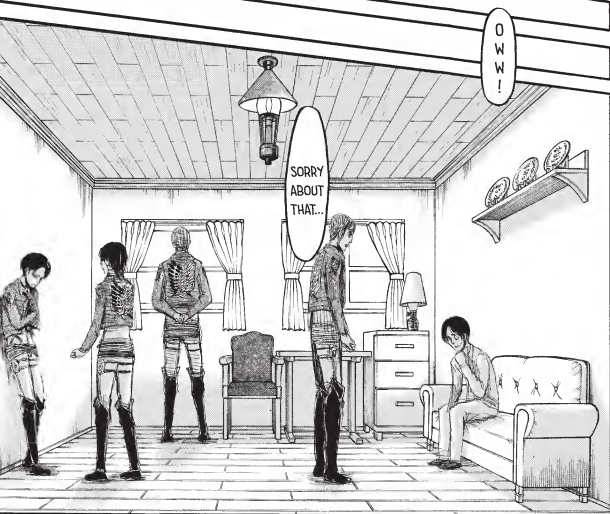
...WE'LL PROVE
THAT EREN IS A
VALUABLE ASSET
TO HUMANITY IN
OUR NEXT
EXPEDITION
BEYOND THE
WALL.

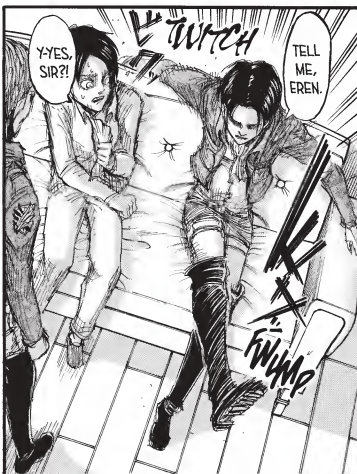
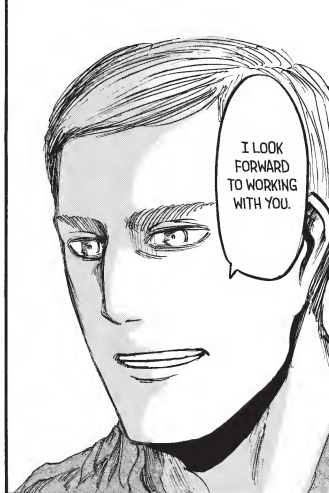


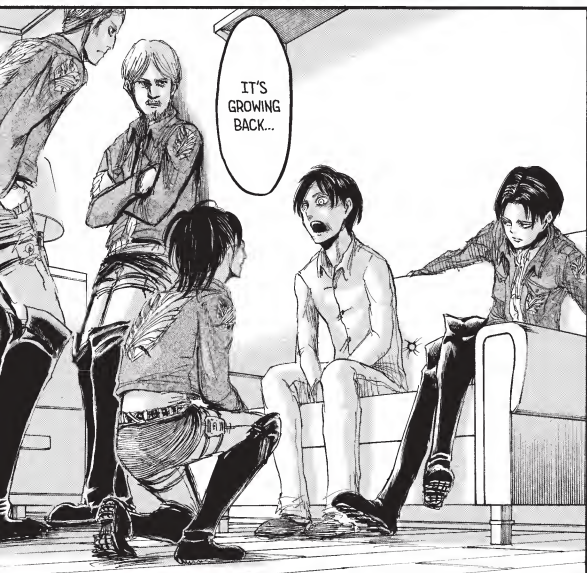
THAT
TO
CALM
THE
PUBLIC
...

SO,
LET
ME
PRO-
POSE
...









ATTACK on TITAN



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THE
FACILITY
IS NO MORE
THAN AN OLD
CONVERTED
CASTLE.
CHARMING IN
ITS WAY,
SURE...

THE
FORMER
HEAD-
QUARTERS
OF THE
SURVEY
CORPS.

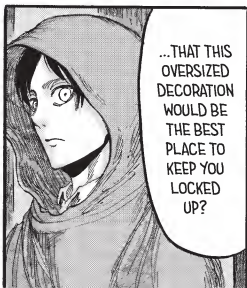


WHO
WOULD'VE
FIGURED
...

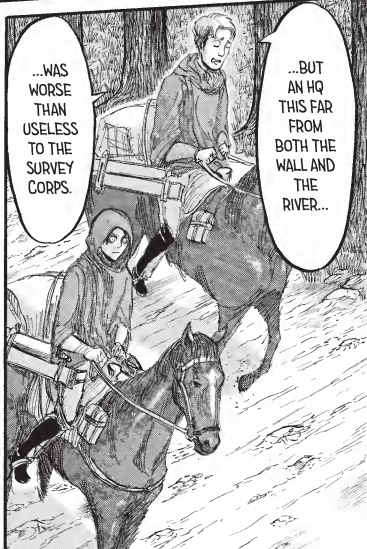
BACK
THEN THE
CORPS HAD
JUST BEEN
FORMED, AND
THE SOLDIERS
WERE STILL
FULL OF
AMBITION
...

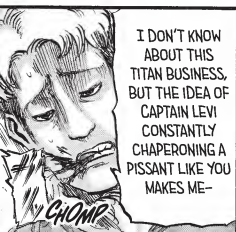
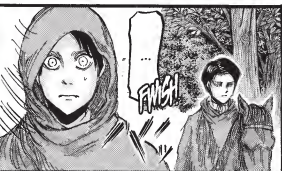
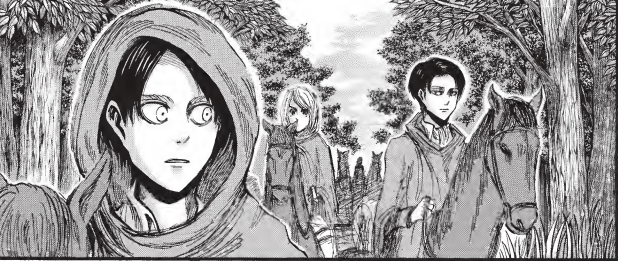
...WAS
WORSE
THAN
USELESS
TO THE
SURVEY
CORPS.

...BUT
AN HQ
THIS FAR
FROM
BOTH THE
WALL AND
THE
RIVER...



...THAT THIS
OVERSIZED
DECORATION
WOULD BE
THE BEST
PLACE TO
KEEP YOU
LOCKED
UP?







I
THINK HE
WAS JUST
SURPRISED
BY WHAT A
FOOL YOU
ARE,
OLUO.

THAT
ROOKIE
WAS
QUAK-
ING IN
HIS
BOOTS.

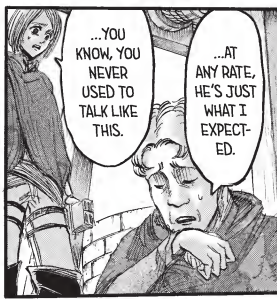
...I WAS
MAKING
A FIRST
IMPRES-
SION.

BLATHER-
ING LIKE THAT
ON A HORSE...
OF COURSE
YOU'RE GOING
TO BITE
YOUR
TONGUE.



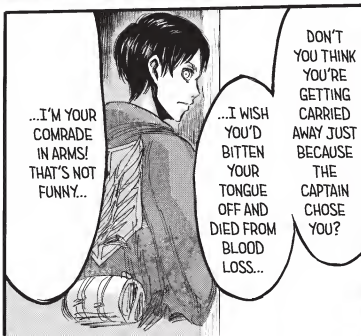
I MEAN...
YOU HAVE
ABSO-
LUTELY
NOTHING IN
COMMON
WITH HIM.

IF...
AND THIS IS
JUST A GUESS...
BUT IF YOU ARE
TRYING TO
IMITATE CAPTAIN
LEVI... JUST
STOP IT, WOULD
YOU?



...YOU
KNOW, YOU
NEVER
USED TO
TALK LIKE
THIS.

...AT
ANY RATE,
HE'S JUST
WHAT I
EXPECTED.



...I'M YOUR
COMRADE
IN ARMS!
THAT'S NOT
FUNNY...

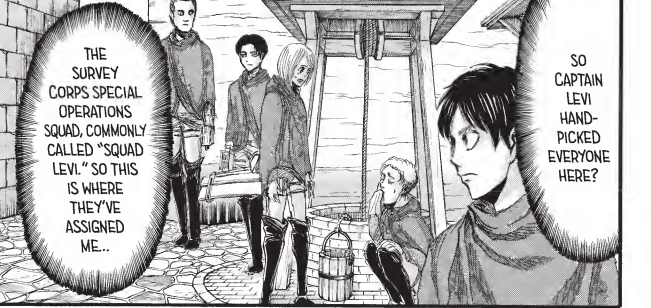
...I WISH
YOU'D
BITTEN
YOUR
TONGUE
OFF AND
DIED FROM
BLOOD
LOSS...

DON'T
YOU THINK
YOU'RE
GETTING
CARRIED
AWAY JUST
BECAUSE
THE
CAPTAIN
CHOSE
YOU?



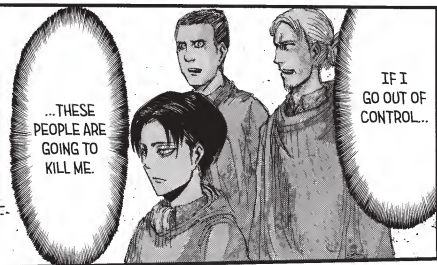
HEH...
WHAT, ARE YOU
TRYING TO REIN
ME IN, PETRA?
IF YOU WANNA
ACT LIKE MY
WIFE, THERE
ARE A COUPLE
STEPS YOU
SKIPPED.

...!!



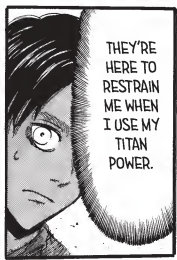
THE
SURVEY
CORPS SPECIAL
OPERATIONS
SQUAD, COMMONLY
CALLED "SQUAD
LEVI." SO THIS
IS WHERE
THEY'VE
ASSIGNED
ME...

SO
CAPTAIN
LEVI
HAND-
PICKED
EVERYONE
HERE?

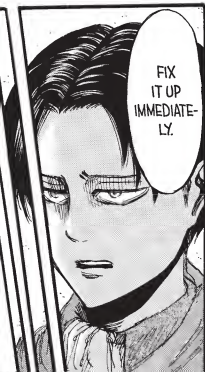


...THESE
PEOPLE ARE
GOING TO
KILL ME.

IF I
GO OUT OF
CONTROL...



THEY'RE
HERE TO
RESTRAIN
ME WHEN
I USE MY
TITAN
POWER.

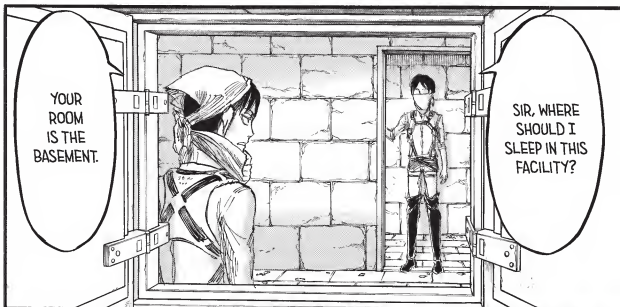


FIX
IT UP
IMMEDIATE-
LY.



THAT'S
A MAJOR
PROBLEM
...

IT
HASN'T
BEEN USED
IN A LONG
TIME, SO
IT'S KIND
OF FALLEN
INTO DIS-
REPAIR.





THAT'S ONE OF THE CONDITIONS WE WERE GIVEN WHEN THEY PLACED YOU IN OUR CUSTODY.



YES, SIR...

DO THIS ONE.



I'M GOING TO CHECK OUT THE ROOMS YOU CLEANED.



IT ISN'T AN UNUSUAL RE-ACTION.



SORRY ?



YOU LOOK DIS-APPOINT-ED.



...HIGH-STRUNG, ILL-MANNERED, AND UN-APPROACH-ABLE.

...IS UN-EX-PECT-EDLY SHORT ...

THE REAL CAPTAIN LEVI...



HE DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THE PERFECT HERO THAT PEOPLE MAKE HIM OUT TO BE, DOES HE?



YOU THOUGHT BECAUSE
HE CARRIES A LOT OF
WEIGHT, THAT HE WOULDN'T
BE CONCERNED WITH RANK
OR THE COMMAND
STRUCTURE?



RIGHT... I
THOUGHT HE
WOULDN'T TAKE
ORDERS FROM
ANYBODY...



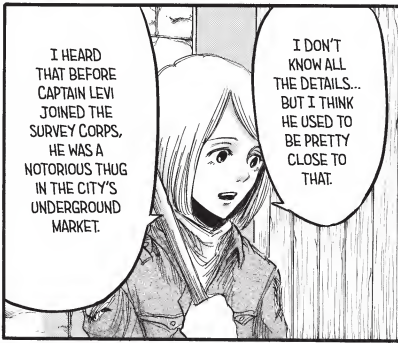
...WAS
HOW
OBEDIENTLY
HE ACCEPTS
DECISIONS
FROM
ABOVE.

NO...
WHAT
TOOK ME
BY
SURPRISE
...



THE
COM-
MANDER
DID?!

I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
HAPPENED, BUT
SOME PEOPLE
SAY COMMANDER
ERWIN BROUGHT
HIM INTO THE
CORPS.



I HEARD
THAT BEFORE
CAPTAIN LEVI
JOINED THE
SURVEY CORPS,
HE WAS A
NOTORIOUS THUG
IN THE CITY'S
UNDERGROUND
MARKET.

I DON'T
KNOW ALL
THE DETAILS...
BUT I THINK
HE USED TO
BE PRETTY
CLOSE TO
THAT.



DO
IT ALL
AGAIN.

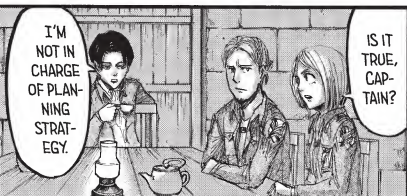
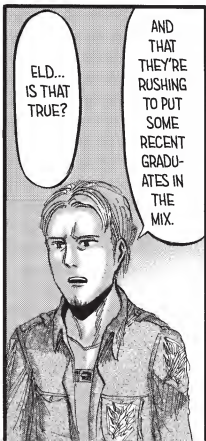
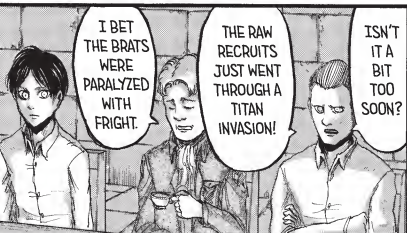
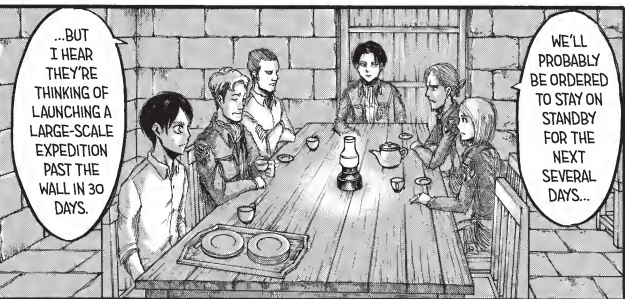
YOU
CALL
THAT
CLEAN
?!

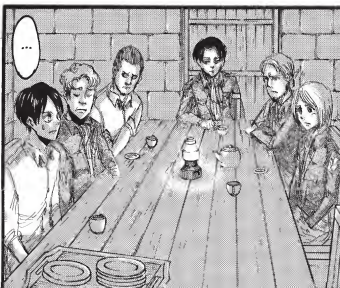


Y-
YES,
SIR
!!

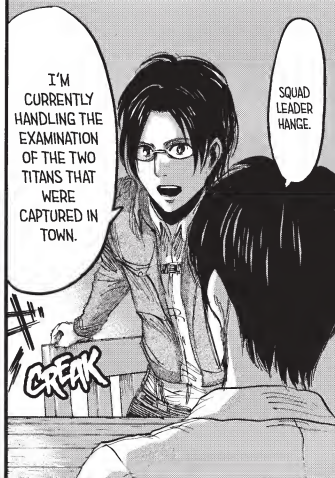
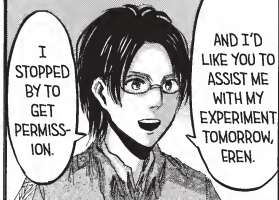


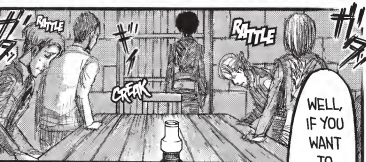
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...
EREN.

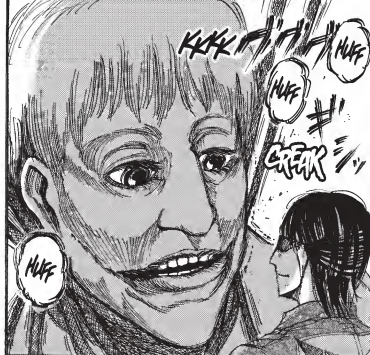












FIRST, I
REPEATED THE
EXPERIMENT
WE TRIED FIVE
TIMES IN THE
PAST,
WHENEVER WE
HAD A CAPTIVE
TITAN: AN
ATTEMPT TO
COMMUNICATE.

THIS ISN'T
THE FIRST
TIME
WE'VE
SUCCESS-
FULLY
SNARED A
TITAN.

HOWEVER, THE
TIME I SPENT
INTERACTING
WITH THE
TITANS WAS SO
FASCINATING
THAT IT MADE
ME FORGET HOW
EXHAUSTED I
WAS.

TOO
CLOSE
!!

THAT
WAS
CLOSE
!!

W
H
O
A
!!

UNFORTUNATELY,
I WAS FORCED TO
CONCLUDE THAT
MEANINGFUL
CONVERSATION IS
IMPOSSIBLE.

SQUAD
LEADER
!!
THAT'S
DANGER-
OUS!!

SNAP

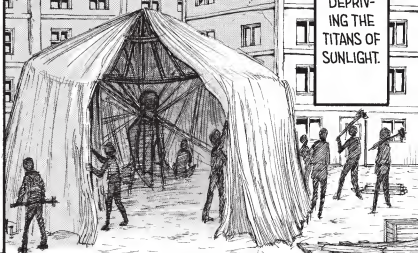
* ABOUT 13 FEET AND 23 FEET, RESPECTIVELY.

...AND THE
7-METER*
CLASS ONE
"BEAN."

INCIDEN-
TALLY, I
NAMED THE
4-METER*
CLASS ONE
"SONNY"...

TITANS BECOME LESS
ENERGETIC AS NIGHT
WEARS ON, SO THIS
EXPERIMENT
TESTED THE
HYPOTHESIS THAT
THEY DERIVE
SOMETHING FROM
SUNLIGHT THAT GIVES
THEM VITALITY.

NEXT, I
TRIED
DEPRIVING
THE
TITANS OF
SUNLIGHT.

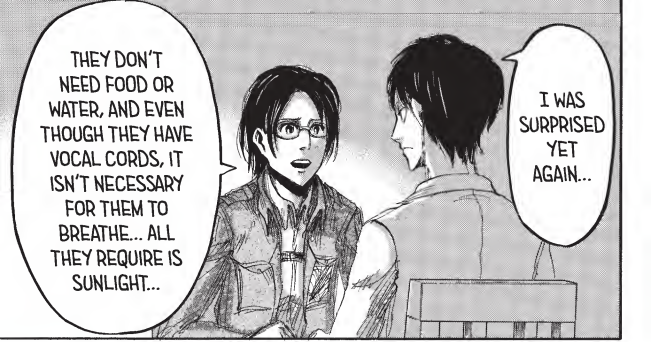


...BEAN
WAS AS
FRISKY AS
EVER FOR
THREE
HOURS
STRAIGHT.

WHEREAS
SONNY
BECAME
LETHARGIC
AFTER JUST
ONE HOUR
WITHOUT
SUNLIGHT...

HERE,
THE
TITANS
SHOWED
INDIVIDUAL
DIFFERENCES.





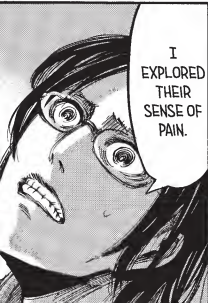
THEY DON'T
NEED FOOD OR
WATER, AND EVEN
THOUGH THEY HAVE
VOCAL CORDS, IT
ISN'T NECESSARY
FOR THEM TO
BREATHE... ALL
THEY REQUIRE IS
SUNLIGHT...

I WAS
SURPRISED
YET
AGAIN...



...BUT IF IT
KILLED THEM,
IT'D BE THE
END OF MY
EXPERIMENTS.

I'M
INTERESTED
IN WHAT WOULD
HAPPEN IF THEY
WERE CUT OFF
COMPLETELY
FROM
SUNLIGHT...



I
EXPLORED
THEIR
SENSE OF
PAIN.



SO I
MOVED
ON TO THE
NEXT STAGE:
DIRECT
CONTACT WITH
THE TITANS'
BODIES!

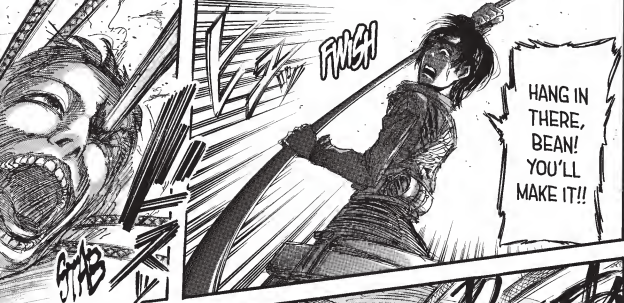


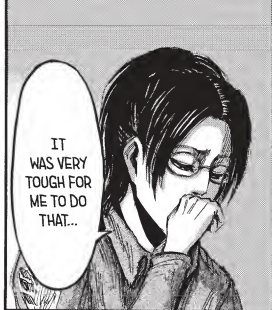
LOOK AT
HOW MUCH
PAIN BEAN
IS IN!

HOW
COULD I
DO THIS
AND NOT
SCREAM?!



SQUAD
LEADER!!
THERE'S
NO NEED
FOR YOU
TO
SCREAM
...





IT
WAS VERY
TOUGH FOR
ME TO DO
THAT...



YOU SEE, I
HAD TO SEE
WHETHER THE
TITANS HAVE A
WEAK POINT
OTHER THAN
THE NECK...

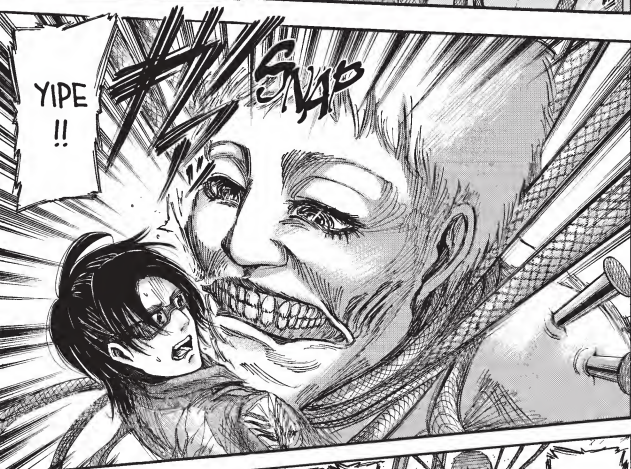


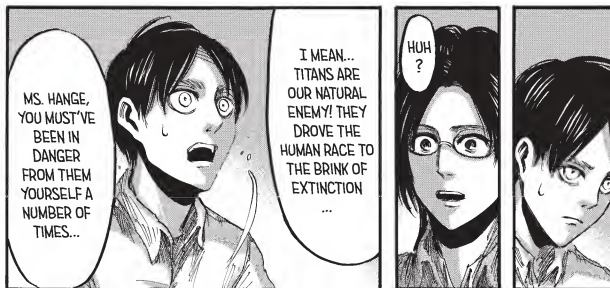
IT
DOESN'T
HURT? HOW
DOES IT
FEEL?

LEAN
ズグズグ

YOU DO
KNOW THAT
I'M STABBING
YOU THROUGH
THE HEART
...?

COMPARED
TO BEAN, THE
INTROVERTED
SONNY
DIDN'T HAVE
MUCH OF A
REACTION AT
ALL.







IT WAS AS
I KICKED THE
DECAPITATED
HEAD OF A
3-METER*
CLASS TITAN.

AND
THEN, ONE
DAY, I
REALIZED
SOME-
THING.

* ABOUT 10 FEET.



WHAT?



...WAS
VERY
LIGHT.

THE
TITAN'S
BODY...



AND ALL THE TITANS
ARE LIKE THAT... THE
WEIGHT OF A SEVERED
ARM WASN'T NEARLY
WHAT IT SHOULD'VE
BEEN, CONSIDERING
ITS SIZE.

IN THE FIRST
PLACE, THAT TITAN
SHOULDN'T HAVE
BEEN ABLE TO
STAND, MUCH LESS
WALK, ON TWO
LEGS.



THEN I HEAR
THAT WHEN YOU
TURNED INTO A
TITAN, EREN, YOUR
TITAN BODY JUST
FORMED UP OUT
OF NOTHING.



...ARE
TOTALLY DIFFER-
ENT
THINGS.

...IS THAT
WHAT WE
CAN **SEE**
AND THE
TRUE NATURE
OF WHAT
ACTUALLY
EXISTS...



...IS
HAP-
PEN-
ING
...

WHAT
I
THINK
...

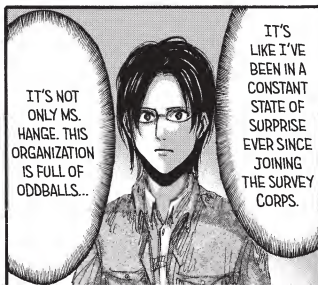
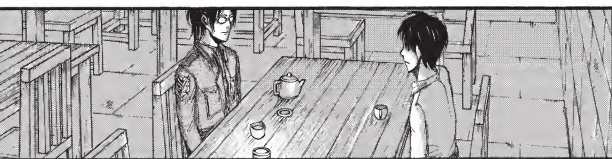


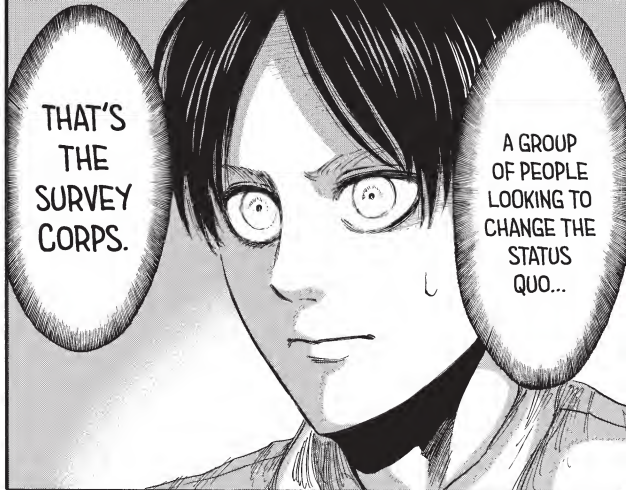
I MAY
JUST BE
SPINNING
MY
WHEELS...

I WANT TO
TRY LOOKING
AT THE TITANS
FROM A
DIFFERENT
ANGLE THAN
THE
PREDOMINANT
VIEW.



FOR
DECADES
NOW,
WE'VE
MADE AN
EFFORT
TO
THRIVE
ON
HATRED
AND MOVE
AGGRES-
SIVELY.





THAT'S
THE
SURVEY
CORPS.

A GROUP
OF PEOPLE
LOOKING TO
CHANGE THE
STATUS
QUO...



AND IF IT
DOES, THAT
COULD MOVE
US ONE STEP
AHEAD.

EREN...
ADDING YOU AS
A COMPONENT
IN THE
EXPERIMENTS
MAY TEACH US
SOMETHING
NEW.



MS.
HANGE
...

THERE'S
NEVER
BEEN A
CHANGE
LIKE THIS
BEFORE.



...BUT
I'M
HAVING
FUN.

IT'S
POSSIBLE
I'M JUST
BEING A PAIN
IN THE ASS
AND
EXPECTING
TOO MUCH
OF YOU...



CHIRP
CHIRP

IN FACT,
EVERYTHING
I'VE TOLD YOU
IS ALREADY
TAUGHT TO
TRAINEES.

...SO I DIDN'T
GET ANY NEW
INFORMATION OUT
OF THIS LATEST
ROUND OF
EXPERIMENTS.

YES...
I KNEW
IT ALL
ALREADY.

BUT
YOU
KNEW
THAT,
DIDN'T
YOU?

IS
SQUAD
LEADER
HANGE
HERE?

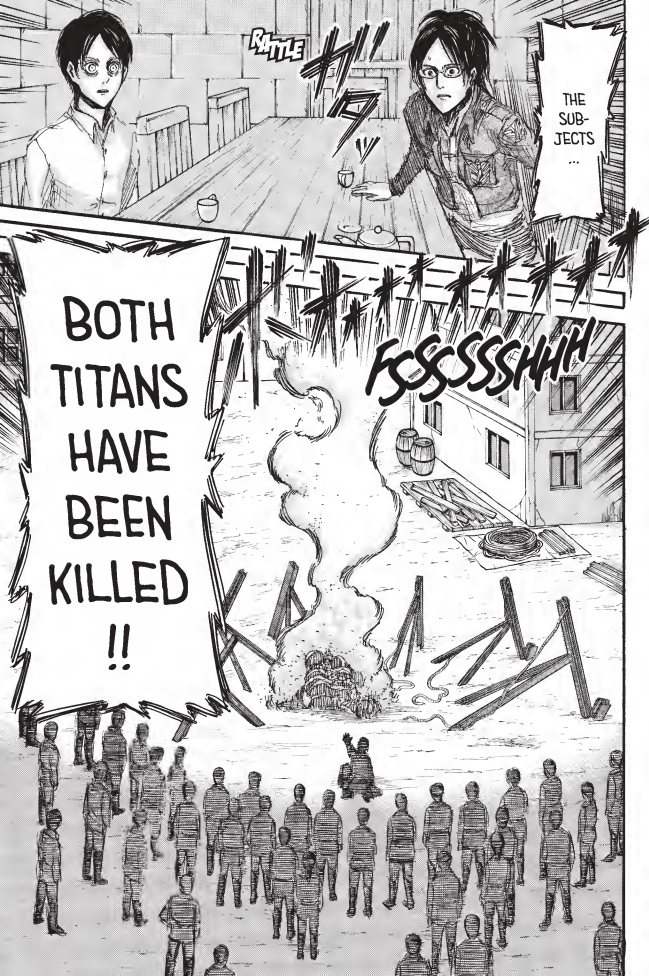
BAM

FIRST OF ALL,
REGARDING
COMMUNICATION,
THERE WAS A
CURIOUS CASE
INVOLVING A
SOLDIER NAMED
**ILSE
LANGNAR.**

LOOK
IT'S
AL-
READY
...

WHAT
?!

THEN LET
ME EXPLAIN
IT TO YOU
AGAIN, THIS
TIME MIXED
IN WITH MY
OWN
SPECULA-
TION.



RATTLE

THE
SUB-
JECTS
...

BOTH
TITANS
HAVE
BEEN
KILLED
!!

FSSSSSHHH



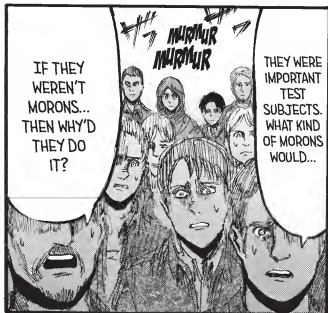
LOOKS LIKE
THEY WERE BOTH
KILLED AT THE
SAME TIME,
BEFORE DAWN. BY
THE TIME THE
GUARDS NOTICED,
WHOEVER DID IT
HAD ALREADY
GOTTEN AWAY
USING VERTICAL
MANEUVERING
GEAR.

WE
HAVEN'T
FOUND
THE
CULPRIT.

BEAN!

SONNY!

NO! DID A
SOLDIER
DO IT?



IF THEY
WEREN'T
MORONS...
THEN WHY'D
THEY DO
IT?

THEY WERE
IMPORTANT
TEST
SUBJECTS.
WHAT KIND
OF MORONS
WOULD...

MURMUR
MURMUR



SO
THIS WAS
PRE-
MEDITATED,
WITH TWO
OR MORE
PEOPLE
INVOLVED
...

LOOK
AT
HANGE.
SHE'S
GONE
OFF THE
DEEP
END.



COM-
MAND
ER!

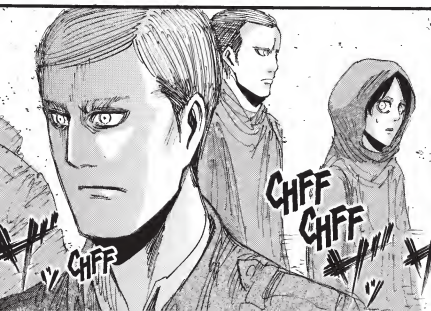
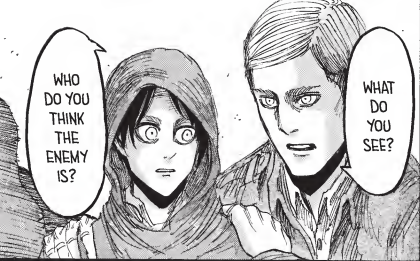
EREN
...

CHFF



Y-
YES,
SIR.

LET'S
GO...THE
REST IS
UP TO THE
MILITARY
POLICE
BRIGADE.



ATTACK on TITAN

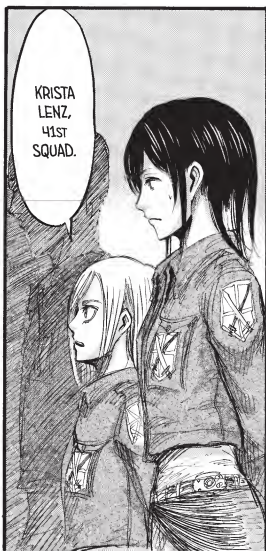
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Opening the
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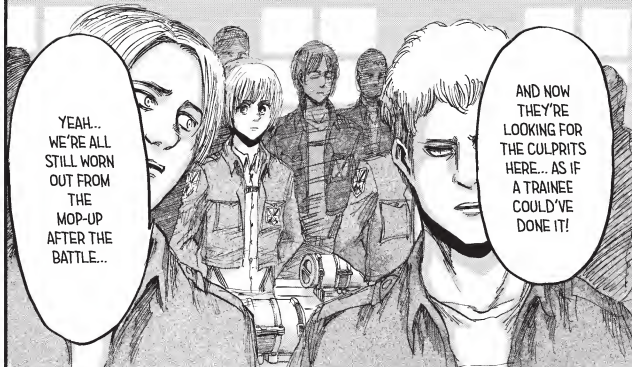


* Rejected Cover Idea

THE MOOD DIDN'T FIT
WITH THE WORLD.







YEAH...
WE'RE ALL
STILL WORN
OUT FROM
THE
MOP-UP
AFTER THE
BATTLE...

AND NOW
THEY'RE
LOOKING FOR
THE CULPRITS
HERE... AS IF
A TRAINEE
COULD'VE
DONE IT!



WHOEVER
DID IT MAY
HAVE SATISFIED
THEIR THIRST
FOR REVENGE,
BUT IT'S A
BLOW TO
THE HUMAN
RACE.

BUT THIS
PRACTICALLY
HELPS THE
TITANS...



...
YEAH.

YOU
CAN'T
BLAME
SOMEONE
FOR
HATING
TITANS.



BEFORE
I SAW MY
FIRST TITAN,
I REALLY
WANTED TO
JOIN THE
SURVEY
CORPS...

YOU
LOSE
YOUR
ABILITY
TO
THINK.

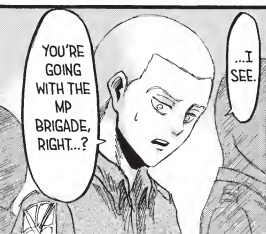
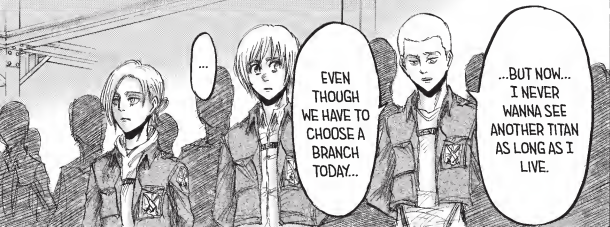


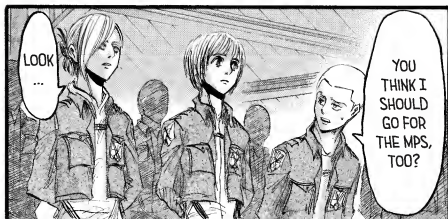
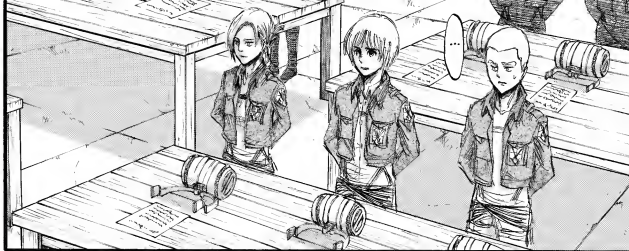
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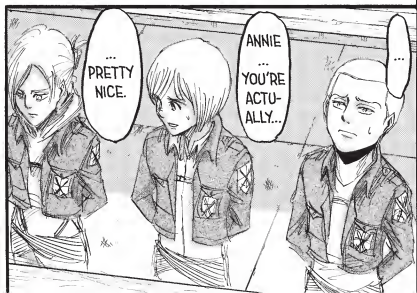
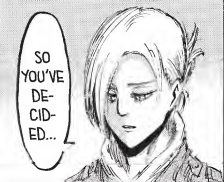


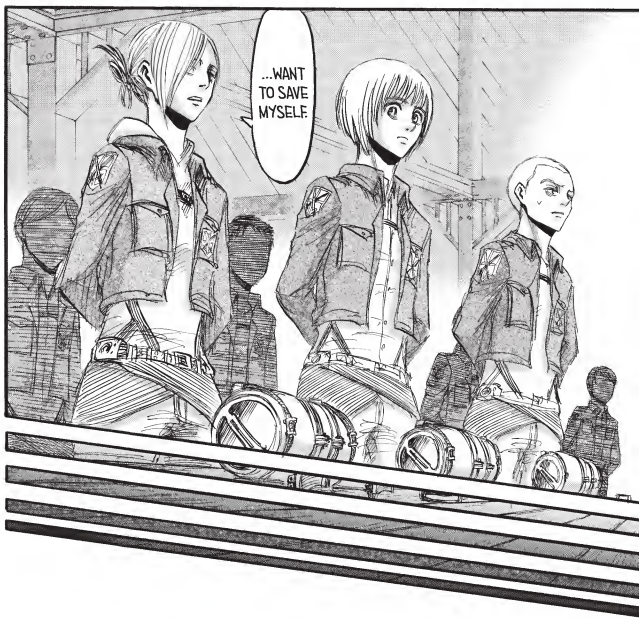
...SO
I KINDA
GET
WHERE
THEY'RE
COMING
FROM.

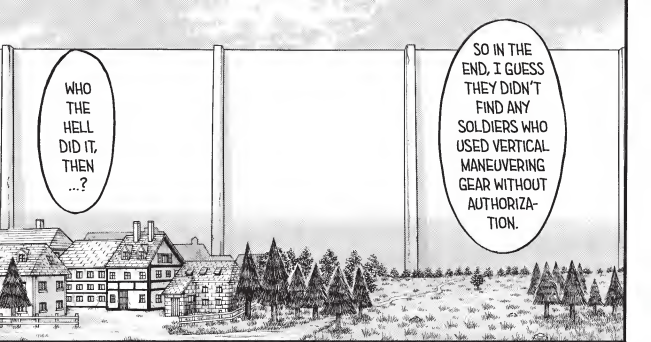
I'M
AN
IDIOT
...





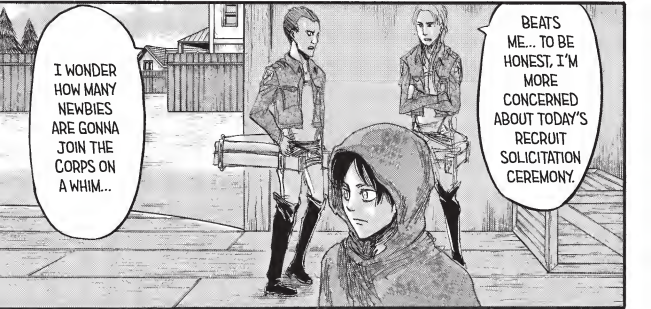






WHO
THE
HELL
DID IT,
THEN
...?

SO IN THE
END, I GUESS
THEY DIDN'T
FIND ANY
SOLDIERS WHO
USED VERTICAL
MANEUVERING
GEAR WITHOUT
AUTHORIZA-
TION.



I WONDER
HOW MANY
NEWBIES
ARE GONNA
JOIN THE
CORPS ON
A WHIM...

BEATS
ME... TO BE
HONEST, I'M
MORE
CONCERNED
ABOUT TODAY'S
RECRUIT
SOLICITATION
CEREMONY.



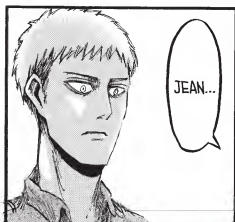
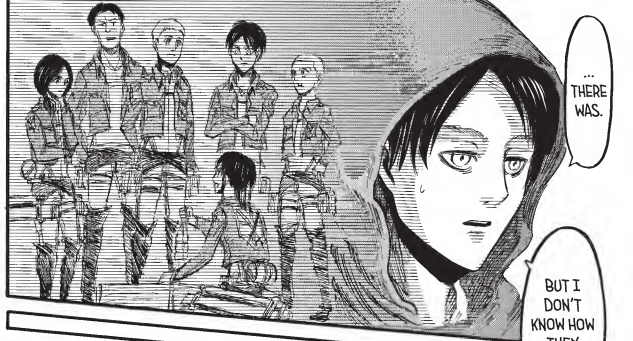
NO
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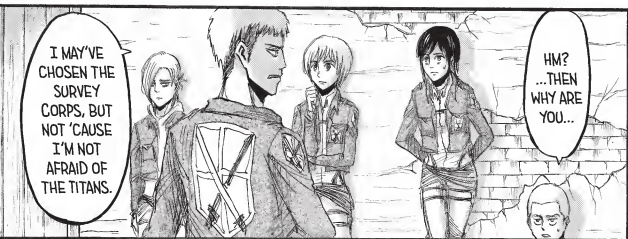
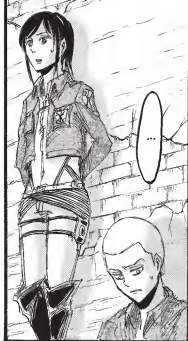


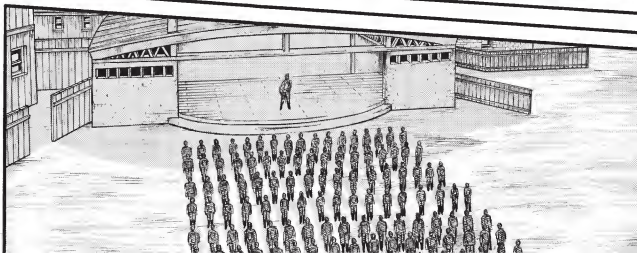
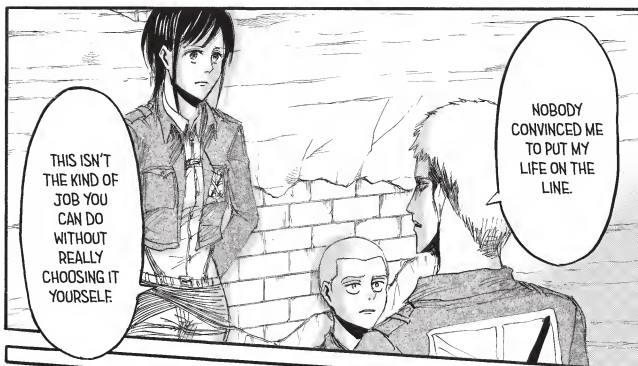
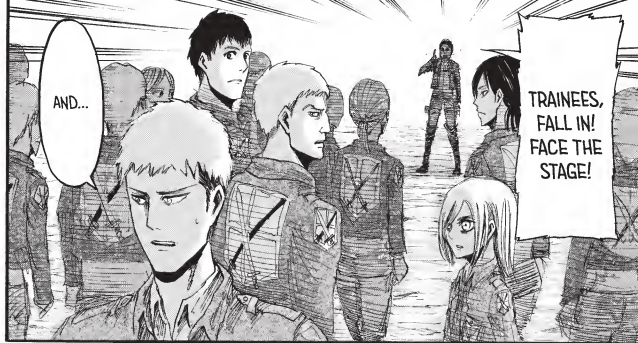
THERE
IS.

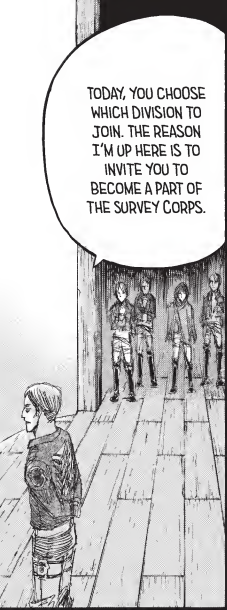


HEY,
EREN. IS
THERE
ANYONE
FROM YOUR
TRAINING
GROUP WHO
WANTS TO
JOIN UP?

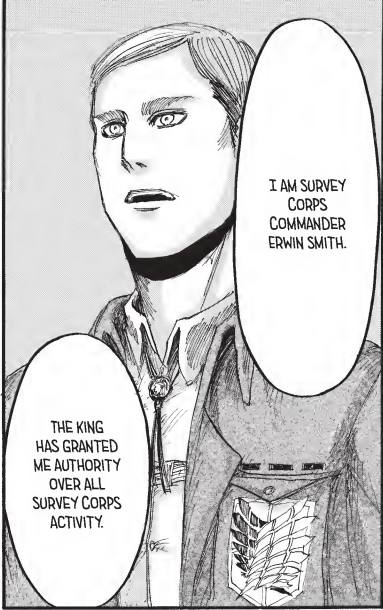








TODAY, YOU CHOOSE
WHICH DIVISION TO
JOIN. THE REASON
I'M UP HERE IS TO
INVITE YOU TO
BECOME A PART OF
THE SURVEY CORPS.



I AM SURVEY
CORPS
COMMANDER
ERWIN SMITH.

THE KING
HAS GRANTED
ME AUTHORITY
OVER ALL
SURVEY CORPS
ACTIVITY.



I'M SURE
NOTHING ELSE IN
YOUR LIVES CAME
CLOSE TO IT.
THOUGH YOU'RE
TRAINEES, YOU
EXPERIENCED
SACRIFICE.

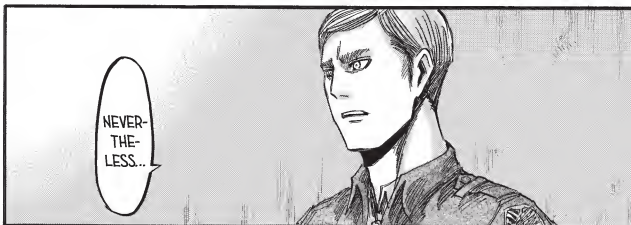
BUT I
SHOULD WARN
YOU. IN THE
RECENT TITAN
ATTACK,
EVERYONE HERE
EXPERIENCED
WHAT THE
AVERAGE
EXCURSION
OUTSIDE IS
LIKE.



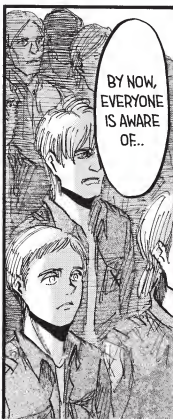
...YOUR OWN
LIMITS, AND
THE TERROR
OF THE
TITANS.



AS A
RESULT,
I'M
SURE
YOU
CAME TO
KNOW...



NEVER-
THE-
LESS...



BY NOW,
EVERYONE
IS AWARE
OF...



...THE HUMAN
RACE HAS
ADVANCED
TOWARDS
VICTORY LIKE
NEVER
BEFORE.

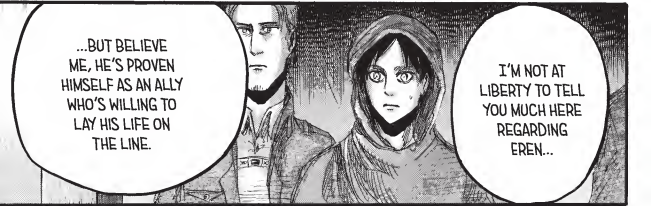
WHILE
IT'S TRUE
WE
SUFFERED
HEAVY
LOSSES IN
THIS
ATTACK...



...AND
WE HAVE
OBTAINED A
PATH TO
UNDER-
STANDING
THE TRUE
NATURE OF
THE TITANS.

...THE
EXISTENCE
OF EREN
YEAGER.

THROUGH HIS
ACTIONS AND
ALL OF YOURS,
THE TITAN
INCURSION
WAS HALTED...



...BUT BELIEVE
ME, HE'S PROVEN
HIMSELF AS AN ALLY
WHO'S WILLING TO
LAY HIS LIFE ON
THE LINE.

I'M NOT AT
LIBERTY TO TELL
YOU MUCH HERE
REGARDING
EREN...



...THERE ARE
ANSWERS
ABOUT THE
TITANS THAT
EVEN HE
DOESN'T
HAVE.

AND WE
ALSO KNOW
THAT IN THE
BASEMENT
OF HIS OLD
HOUSE IN
SHIGANSHINA
DISTRICT...

...I BELIEVE
WE'LL FIND CLUES
THAT MAY FREE US
FROM A CENTURY
OF DOMINATION
BY THE TITANS.

IF WE
CAN JUST
GET TO THAT
BASEMENT...

...BUT
MAKING THAT
INFORMATION
PUBLIC...?

I KNOW
THEY
WANT TO
RECRUIT
SOL-
DIERS...

HIS
BASE-
MENT
...?

IF WE'RE
ON THE VERGE
OF FINDING OUT
WHAT THE TITANS
REALLY ARE,
THEN THE
SITUATION MUST
NOT BE
THAT BAD!!

ARE WE
ALREADY
THAT
CLOSE
...?



HE MUST
HAVE AN
AGENDA...



WAIT...



AND
YET
...

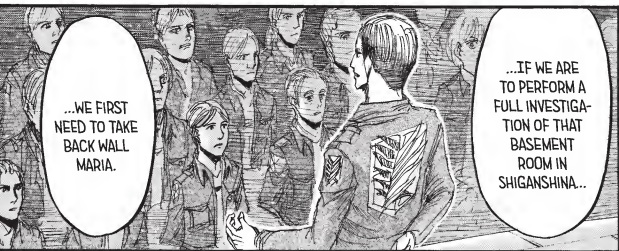


H
M
?

...
LOOKING
AT?

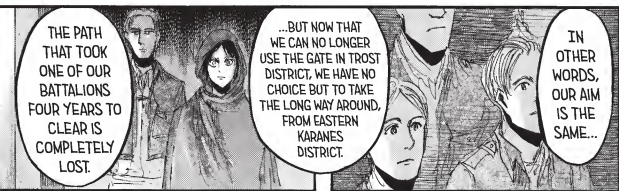


WHAT'S
THE
COM-
MAND-
ER
...



...WE FIRST
NEED TO TAKE
BACK WALL
MARIA.

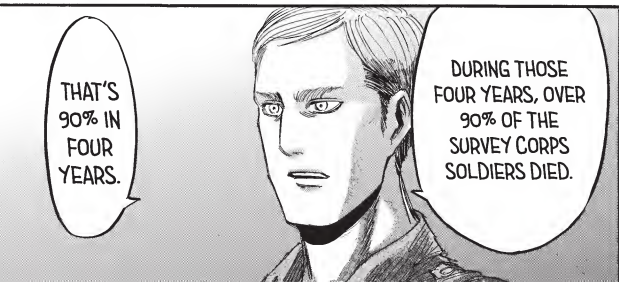
...IF WE ARE
TO PERFORM A
FULL INVESTIGA-
TION OF THAT
BASEMENT
ROOM IN
SHIGANSHINA...



THE PATH
THAT TOOK
ONE OF OUR
BATTALIONS
FOUR YEARS TO
CLEAR IS
COMPLETELY
LOST.

...BUT NOW THAT
WE CAN NO LONGER
USE THE GATE IN TROST
DISTRICT, WE HAVE NO
CHOICE BUT TO TAKE
THE LONG WAY AROUND,
FROM EASTERN
KARANES
DISTRICT.

IN
OTHER
WORDS,
OUR AIM
IS THE
SAME...

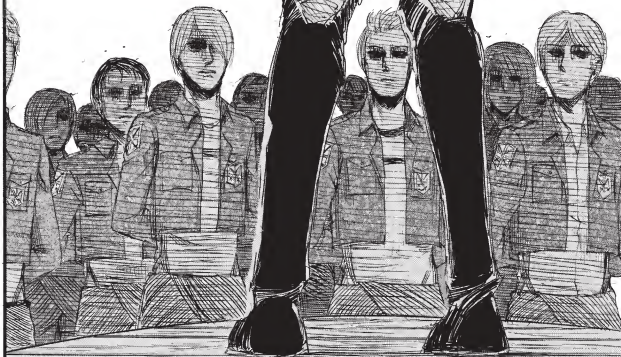


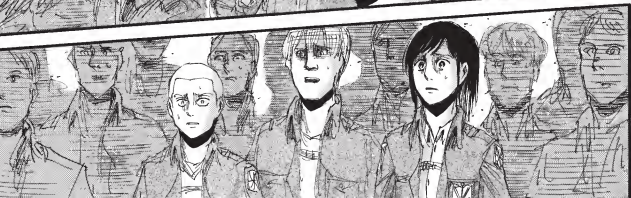
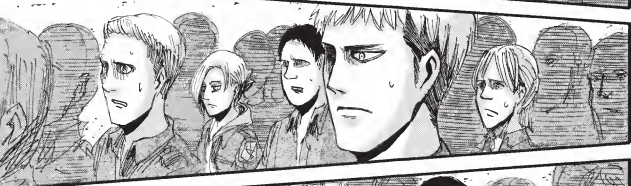
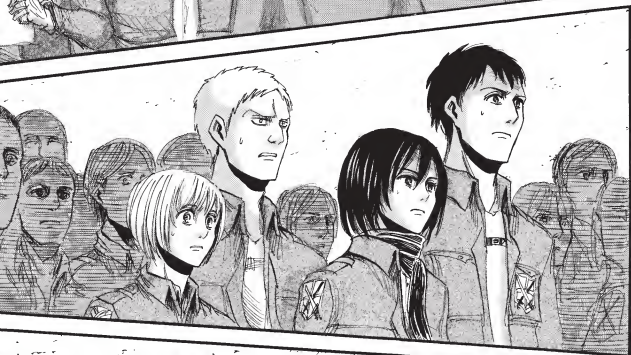
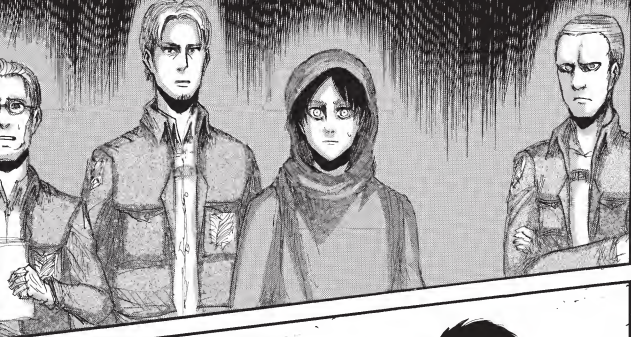
THAT'S
90% IN
FOUR
YEARS.

DURING THOSE
FOUR YEARS, OVER
90% OF THE
SURVEY CORPS
SOLDIERS DIED.

...WOULD
MEAN FIVE TIMES
THE CASUALTIES
AND 20 YEARS OF
WORK. THOSE
AREN'T REALISTIC
FIGURES.

EVEN
IN THE BEST
CASE, SENDING
ANOTHER
BATTALION TO
WALL MARIA...

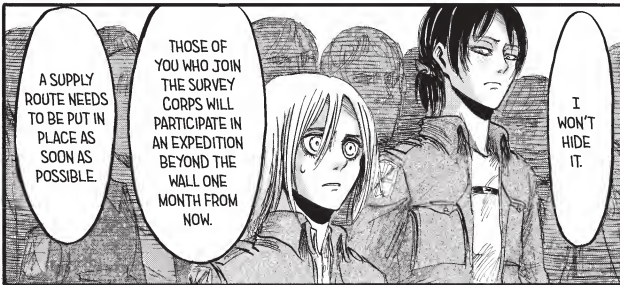






SINCE MANY
ARE KILLED
EVERY TIME
WE GO OUT, WE
SUFFER FROM
A CHRONIC
SHORTAGE OF
PERSONNEL.

THE SURVEY
CORPS IS
ALWAYS
LOOKING FOR
TALENTED
PEOPLE.



A SUPPLY
ROUTE NEEDS
TO BE PUT IN
PLACE AS
SOON AS
POSSIBLE.

THOSE OF
YOU WHO JOIN
THE SURVEY
CORPS WILL
PARTICIPATE IN
AN EXPEDITION
BEYOND THE
WALL ONE
MONTH FROM
NOW.

I
WON'T
HIDE
IT.

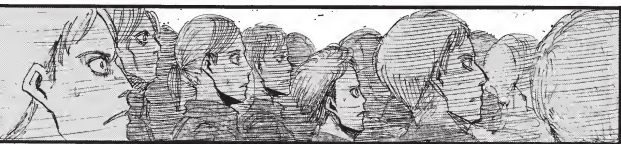


BUT THOSE
WHO DO GET
THROUGH IT GO
ON TO BECOME
SUPERIOR
SOLDIERS WITH
A HIGH SURVIVAL
RATE.

I BELIEVE
THE MORTALITY
RATE FOR NEW
RECRUITS GOING
ON THEIR FIRST
JOURNEY
OUTSIDE IS
ABOUT 50%.

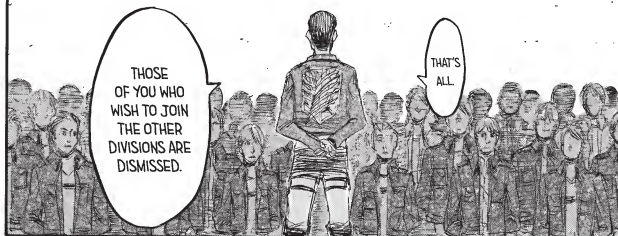


NOW YOU KNOW
THE DISMAL STATE
OF AFFAIRS. THOSE
OF YOU WHO ARE
STILL WILLING TO
PUT YOUR LIVES
ON THE LINE,
REMAIN HERE.



ASK
YOURSELVES IF
YOU REALLY
HAVE IT IN YOU
TO SACRIFICE
YOUR LIFE FOR
HUMANITY.

LET ME
REITERATE... THE
MAJORITY OF THE
PEOPLE WHO STAY
HERE AND ENTER
THE SURVEY CORPS
WILL LIKELY DIE.



THOSE
OF YOU WHO
WISH TO JOIN
THE OTHER
DIVISIONS ARE
DISMISSED.

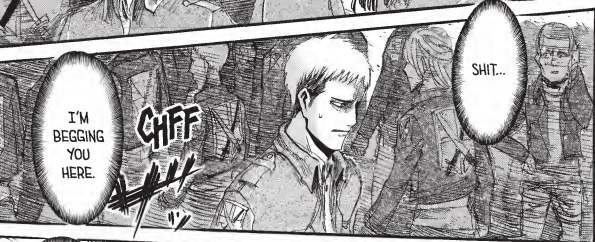
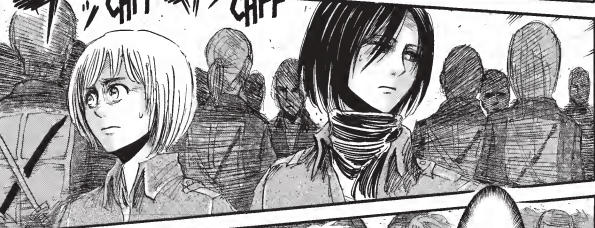
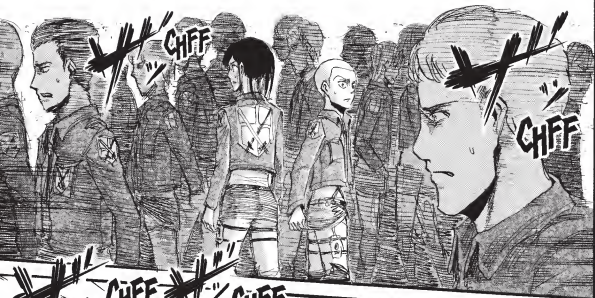
THAT'S
ALL.

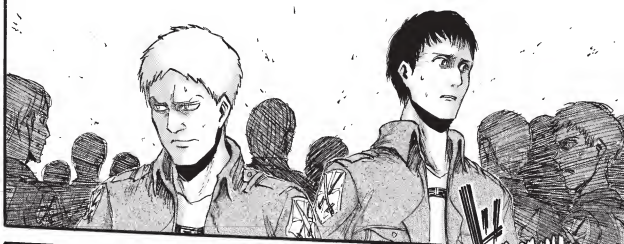


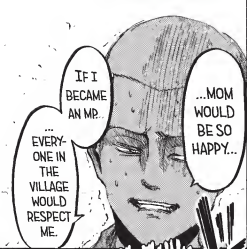
THE
TRAINEES
THAT ARE
LEFT MUST
FEEL LIKE
THEY'VE
BEEN
THROUGH
THE
WRINGER.



COM-
MANDER,
DID YOU
HAVE TO BE
THAT
INTIMIDAT-
ING?







IF I
BECAME
AN MP...

...EVERY-
ONE IN
THE
VILLAGE
WOULD
RESPECT
ME.

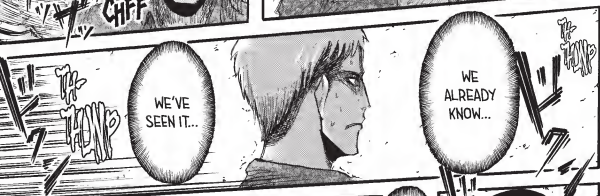
...MOM
WOULD
BE SO
HAPPY...



I LEFT
THE VILLAGE
TO BECOME A
MILITARY
POLICE
OFFICER...

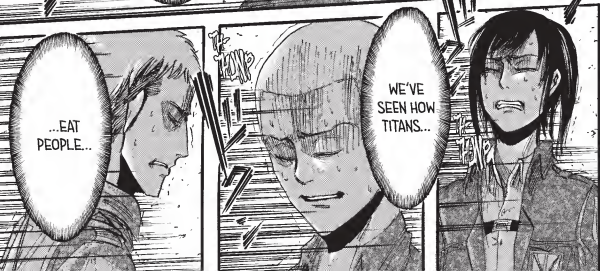


THAT'S
RIGHT...



WE'VE
SEEN IT...

WE
ALREADY
KNOW...

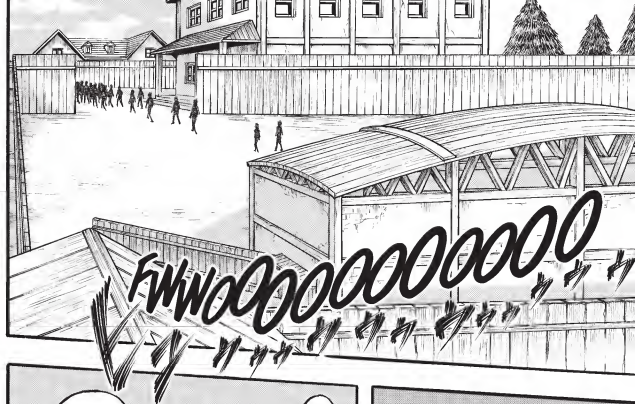


...EAT
PEOPLE...

WE'VE
SEEN HOW
TITANS...







...WERE
TOLD TO
DIE,
COULD
YOU DO
IT?

IF
YOU
...



FWWOOOOOOOOOOOO



I
DON'T
WANT
TO DIE!



EVERY-
ONE...
YOU LOOK
GOOD.



I
SEE
...

DEVOTE
YOUR
HEARTS
TO THE
CAUSE!

THIS IS
MY REAL
SALUTE!



VERY WELL!
I WELCOME
THE NEWEST
MEMBERS OF
THE SURVEY
CORPS!

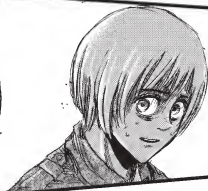
YES,
SIR!!





EV-
ERY-
ONE...

...



THE
SURVEY
CORPS,
OF ALL
THINGS
...

THIS
IS THE
WORST.
DAMN
IT...



AHHH
...
SHIT
...

I WANNA
GO BACK
TO THE
VILLAGE...



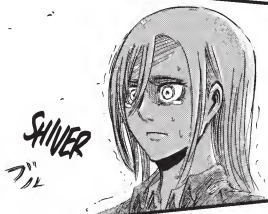
I'M
SCAR-
ED...

...UNH
... I
HATE
THIS...

I JUST
DON'T
CARE
ANY-
MORE...



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H
...



SHIVER

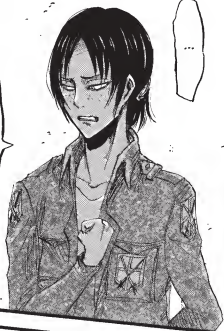
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SHIVER

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IF
YOU'RE
GONNA CRY
HERE, YOU
MIGHT AS
WELL
QUIT.





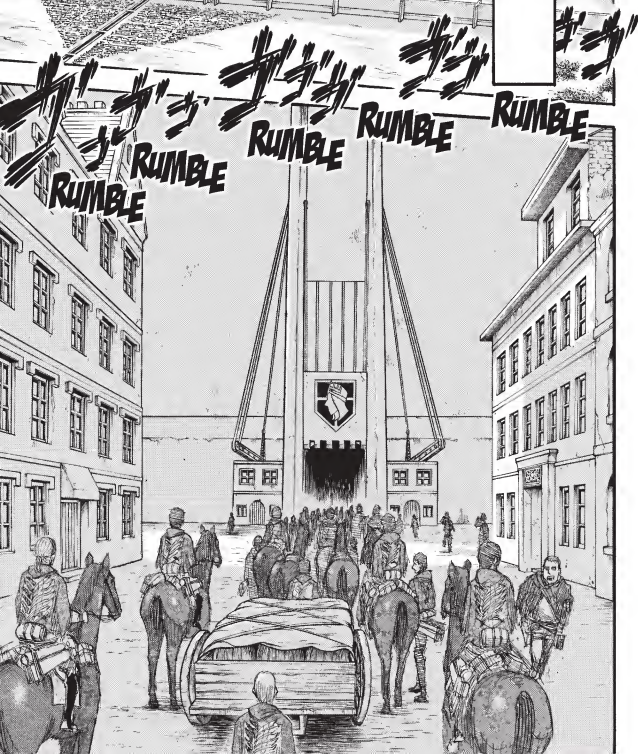
YOU
HAVE MY
HEARTFELT
RESPECT.



YOU HAVE
WITHSTOOD
YOUR FEAR
WELL... YOU'RE
ALL BRAVE
SOLDIERS.

ONE
MONTH
LATER

KARANES
DISTRICT





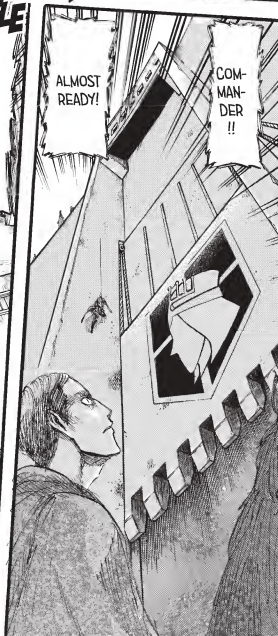
WE LED
THE NEAREST
TITANS SOME
DISTANCE
AWAY!!

THIRTY
SECONDS
TO GATE
OPENING!!



ALMOST
READY!

COM-
MAN-
DER
!!



SHOW
ME WHAT
YOU'VE
LEARNED
!!

THIS IS IT!!
NOW THE
HUMAN RACE
TAKES
ANOTHER
STEP
FORWARD!!

RUMBLE

AD-
VANCE
!!

LAUNCH
THE 57TH
EXPEDITION
OUTSIDE
THE WALL!

OPEN
THE
GATE!!

**RUMBLE
RUMBLE**







10-METER*
CLASS TITAN
APPROACHING
FROM THE
LEFT!!

* ABOUT 33 FEET.





ADVANCE!!

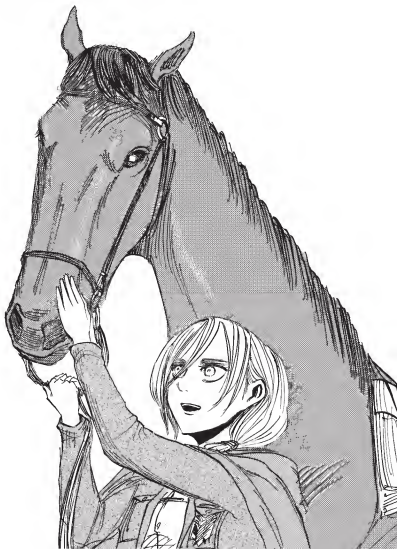
ADVANCE!!

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Current Publicly Available Information

10. Survey Corps Horses

THE STABLE HORSES USED BY THE SURVEY CORPS ARE SELECTIVELY BRED TO BE APPROXIMATELY 160 CM (5 FEET 3 INCHES) TALL AND 450-500 KG (990-1,100 LBS). THEY CAN GET BY ON A SIMPLE DIET AND TRAVEL FOR MANY HOURS WITHOUT COMPLAINING. THESE HORSES HAVE A MILD TEMPERAMENT AND RARELY PANIC, EVEN WHEN CONFRONTED WITH TITANS. THEIR TOP SPEED IS BETWEEN 75-80 KPH (46-50 MPH), AND THEY CAN MAINTAIN A SWIFT 35 KPH (22 MPH) GALLOP. THE HORSES ARE TENACIOUS, ABLE TO MAINTAIN A FINE SPEED OF 20 KPH (12 MPH) EVEN WHEN PULLING A CARRIAGE. THEY AREN'T THE TITANS' DIRECT GOAL AND ARE ABLE TO OUTFRAN THE TITANS ON FOOT, MAKING THEM THE ONLY METHOD OF ESCAPE. THESE HORSES ARE EXTREMELY VALUABLE. IN MONETARY TERMS, ONE IS WORTH AN AVERAGE PERSON'S LIFETIME INCOME. (WITH THANKS TO UKYŌ KODACHI AND KIYOMUNE MIWA)

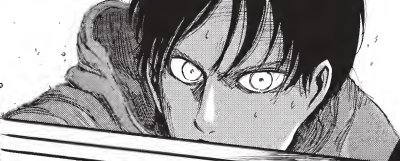


... 'TIL WE
GET PAST THE
ABANDONED
TOWN. AFTER
THAT—

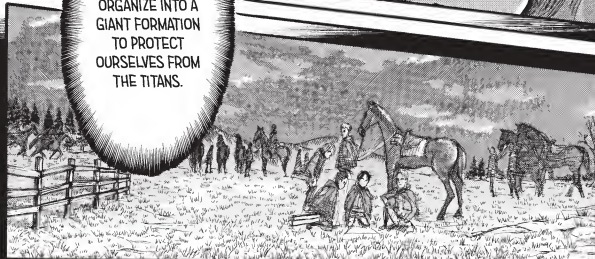
THE
SUPPORT
TEAM WILL
BACK US
UP...

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Enemy Scouting
Formation**

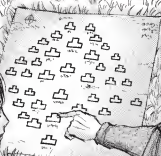




...WE'LL
ORGANIZE INTO A
GIANT FORMATION
TO PROTECT
OURSELVES FROM
THE TITANS.

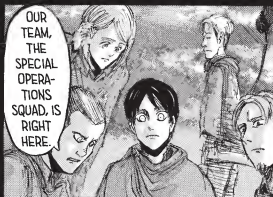


THAT'S
PRETTY
FAR.



STANDING
BY IN THE
CENTER,
FIVE
COLUMNS
BACK.

OUR
TEAM,
THE
SPECIAL
OPERATIONS
SQUAD, IS
RIGHT
HERE.



...IS JUST
A TRIAL
RUN FOR THE
REAL DEAL,
GETTING YOU
TO SHIGAN-
SHINA
DISTRICT.



REMEM-
BER, THIS
SHORT
JAUNT
OUTSIDE
...

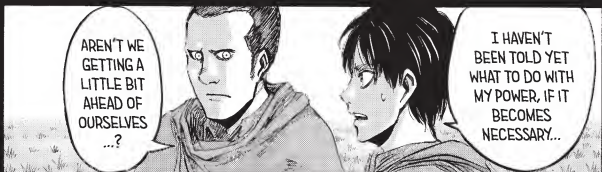
WE'RE GONNA
GET MORE
PROTECTION
THAN EVEN
THE SUPPLY
WAGONS.

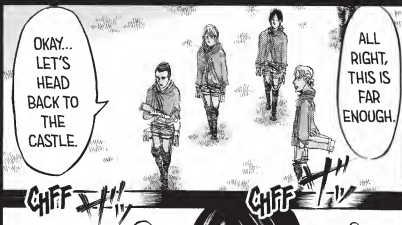
IT
SHOULD BE
THE SAFEST
PLACE IN THE
BATTLE
FORMATION.

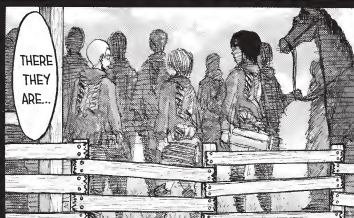


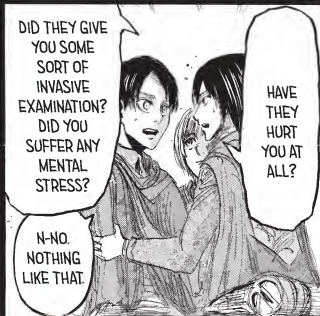
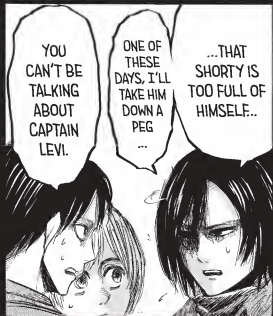
OUR PURPOSE
THIS TIME IS
TO GO OUT A
BIT AND COME
BACK INTACT.



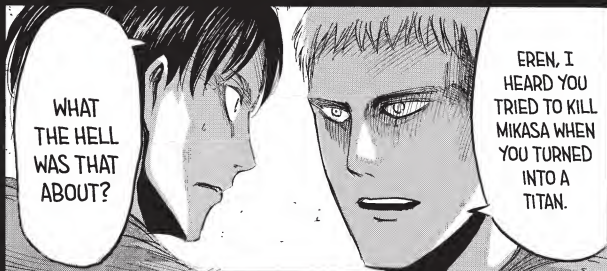












WHAT
THE HELL
WAS THAT
ABOUT?

EREN, I
HEARD YOU
TRIED TO KILL
MIKASA WHEN
YOU TURNED
INTO A
TITAN.



...



I'M
NOT
ASKING
YOU!



WRONG.

EREN
WAS
TRYING
TO SWAT
A FLY...



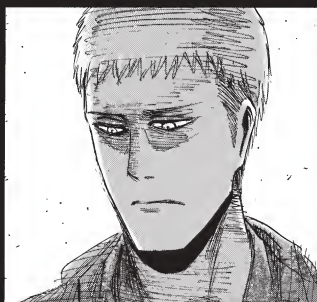
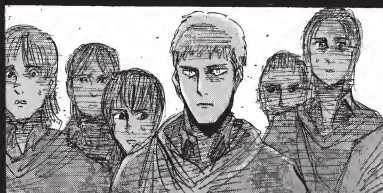
...!

Right



WHEN'D
YOU GET
IT?

MIKASA,
THAT SCAR
ON YOUR
CHEEK
LOOKS
PRETTY
DEEP.





THIS
IS WHAT
WE'LL DIE FOR,
AND LIKE WITH
MARCO, EREN
WON'T EVEN
KNOW ABOUT
IT.

THIS IS
WHAT OUR
LIVES AND
THE FATE
OF
HUMANITY
RIDE ON.



...DRIVING
EREN INTO A
CORNER
HERE?

WHAT'S
THE
SENSE
IN...



JEAN
...

...



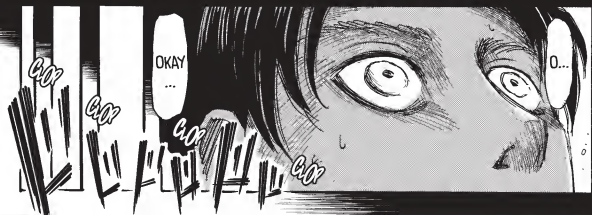
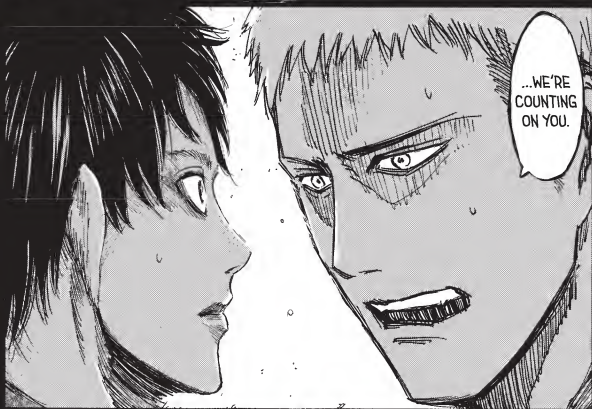
!!

WE'RE
NOT ALL
VOLUNTEERING
TO DIE FOR
EREN.

NOT
EVERY-
BODY
IS LIKE
YOU...

LOOK,
MIKASA
...





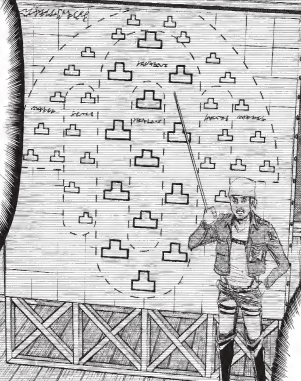


NGH!!

HI
CHOMP

...IS ALL
ABOUT **NOT**
ENGAGING
THE
TITANS!

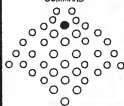
YOU NEW
RECRUITS HAVE
ONE MONTH TO
LEARN THIS
"LONG-DISTANCE
ENEMY SCOUTING
FORMATION"
BACKWARDS AND
FORWARDS.



THIS IS
THE PLAN
COM-
MANDER
ERWIN
DEVISED.

THANKS TO
THIS FORMA-
TION, OUR
SURVIVAL RATE
HAS RISEN
DRAMATICALLY.

SECOND COLUMN, CENTER:
COMMAND



THIRD COLUMN, THIRD:
COMMUNICATIONS



SOLDIERS
ARE SPREAD OUT
OVER A LONG
DISTANCE WITH A
SEMICIRCULAR
FORMATION IN
FRONT, BUT
YOU'RE SPACED
OUT EVENLY TO
ENSURE YOU CAN
SEE IN ALL
DIRECTIONS.

FIFTH COLUMN, CENTER:
ON STANDBY



SECOND COLUMN, THIRD:
COMMUNICATIONS



AS MUCH
AS POSSIBLE,
SPREAD OUT
ENEMY SCOUTING,
COMMUNICATIONS,
AND THE
PERIMETER.

SECOND COLUMN, FOURTH:
COMMUNICATIONS



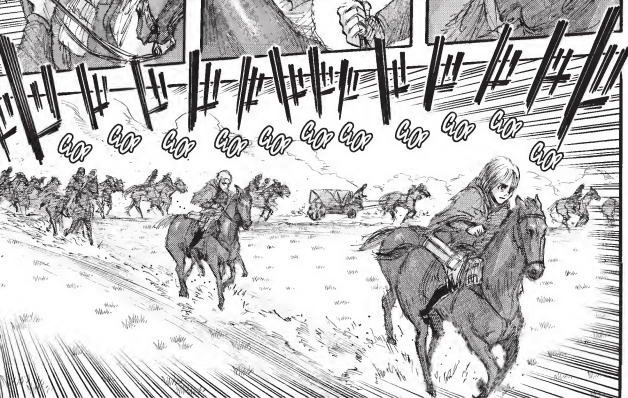
THIRD COLUMN, FOURTH:
COMMUNICATIONS

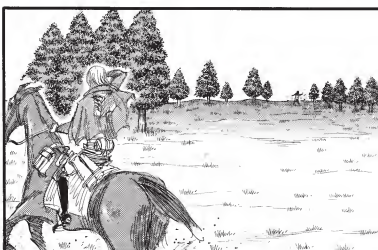
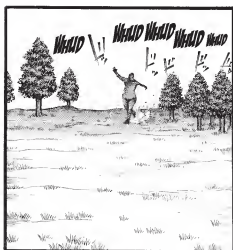
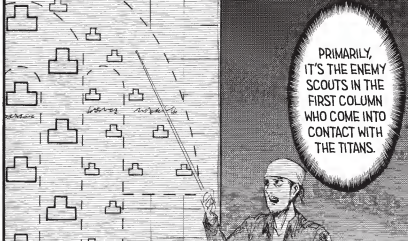


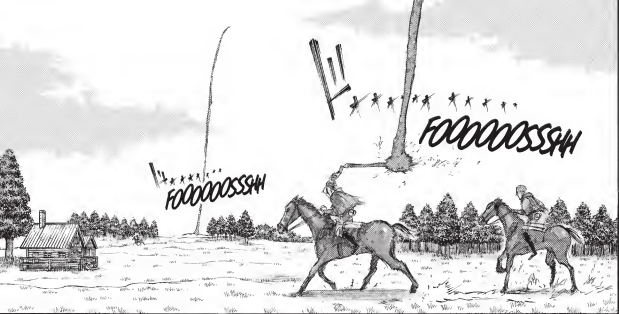
YOU'LL
BE IN
CHARGE OF
COMMUNICA-
TIONS AND
KEEPING
PACE WITH
THE SPARE
HORSES.

...IN
BETWEEN
THE WAGON
SUPPORT
TEAM AND
THE
SCOUTING
SUPPORT
TEAM.

YOU
NEW
RECRUITS
WILL BE
RIGHT
HERE...

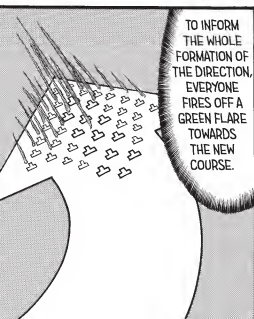






THIS WAY,
COMMANDER
ERWIN, WHO
LEADS FROM
THE FRONT,
WILL KNOW
THE TITAN'S
POSITION AS
QUICKLY AS
POSSIBLE.

WHEN
YOU SEE A
FLARE, YOU
FIRE OFF
YOUR OWN
TO PASS ON
THE
WARNING.



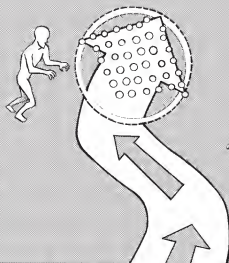
TO INFORM
THE WHOLE
FORMATION OF
THE DIRECTION,
EVERYONE
FIRES OFF A
GREEN FLARE
TOWARDS
THE NEW
COURSE.

THIS
SIGNAL
MEANS THE
ENTIRE CAMP
IS ALTERING ITS
COURSE AND
HEADING IN
A NEW
DIRECTION.

FOOOOOSSSH

THEN, THE
COMMANDER
WILL FIRE
OFF A GREEN
FLARE.

SEE, MOST
TITANS CAN'T
MATCH THE
PROLONGED
RUNNING
SPEED OF
HORSES.



EMPLOYING
THIS SYSTEM
ALLOWS THE
COMPANY TO
HEAD FOR ITS
DESTINATION
WHILE AVOIDING
CONTACT WITH
TITANS.

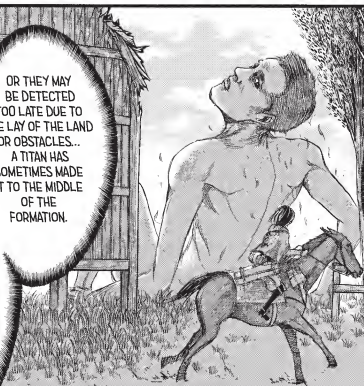
HOWEVER,
THEY'RE NOT
EASILY
OUTWITTED
LIKE THIS
EVERY TIME.



AND WHEN A
TITAN'S ENERGY IS
SPENT, ITS
MOVEMENTS BECOME
EXTREMELY
SLOGGISH,
DEPENDING ON THE
INDIVIDUAL.

OR THEY MAY
BE DETECTED
TOO LATE DUE TO
THE LAY OF THE LAND
OR OBSTACLES...
A TITAN HAS
SOMETIMES MADE
IT TO THE MIDDLE
OF THE
FORMATION.

IN THAT
CASE, THE
FORMATION IS
IN DANGER OF
BEING DIVIDED
OR EVEN
DESTROYED... OF
COURSE, HEAVY
LOSSES WOULD
ENSUE.



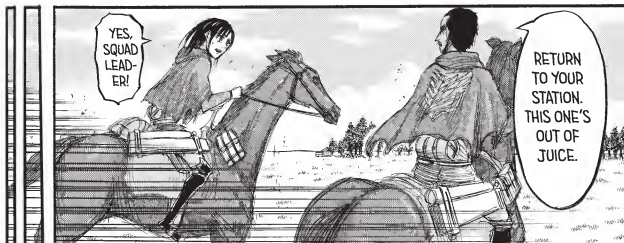
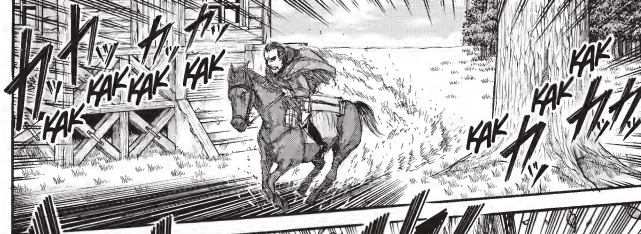
AGAIN,
TITANS HAVE
INDIVIDUAL
DIFFERENCES.
THERE ARE
SOME THAT
CAN EXCEED A
HORSE'S
RUNNING
SPEED IN
SHORT
BURSTS.



SECOND COLUMN, THIRD-
COMMUNICATIONS







YES,
SQUAD
LEAD-
ER!

RETURN
TO YOUR
STATION.
THIS ONE'S
OUT OF
JUICE.

...ONLY
APPLY TO
THE
"NORMALS,"
WHOSE
BEHAVIOR IS
EASY TO
PREDICT.

NOW, ALL
OF THESE
TACTICS...

IT'S BEEN A
WHILE SINCE
THE RED
SIGNAL WAS
SENT, BUT
THE FORMA-
TION IS STILL
IN CHAOS

STRANGE
...

...

OH,
NO...

WHUD
K!!

WHUD

WHUD
K!!

...!!

THAT'S
...

!!

FOOOOOOSH!!

THERE'S
NO DOUBT
ABOUT IT!
THIS
ONE'S-

FOOOOSSHH

KACHA

IT'S IGNORING
THE NEARBY
HUMANS AND
HEADING
STRAIGHT FOR
THE CENTER
OF THE
FORMATION?!

A
BLACK
FLARE
?!

KYOOOOOOO

...AN
ABNORMAL!

WHUD

WHUD

WHUD

WHUD

WHUD

WE'VE GOT TO KILL IT!

DAMN IT!

WHEN IT COMES TO THE ABNORMALS AND THEIR UNPREDICTABLE BEHAVIOR, THERE'S NO CHOICE BUT TO FIGHT!

KACHA

ROGER!

I'LL GET IT TO STOP!!

FUWA

WHUD

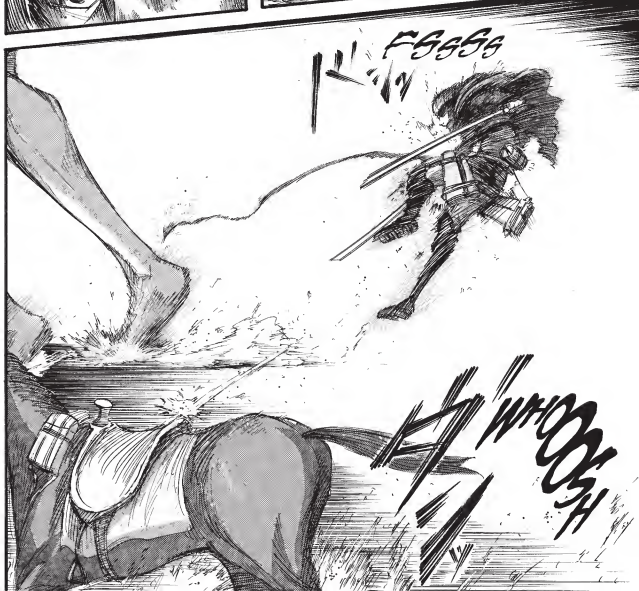
SISS! YOU GET THE NECK!!

STILL... I CAN'T LET IT BREAK THE FORMATION. AS SOON AS I BRING THAT THING DOWN, WE'VE GOTTA FINISH IT OFF!

PLUS I COULD BE SEPARATED FROM THE GROUP.

MY CHANCE OF SUCCEEDING IS EXTREMELY LOW, AND I'LL BE THROWN FROM MY HORSE.

VERTICAL MANEUVERING GEAR DOESN'T REALLY WORK WELL ON LEVEL GROUND.





**HUNH
!!**

WHEEE

SHIK

WHUMP

**SISS
!!**

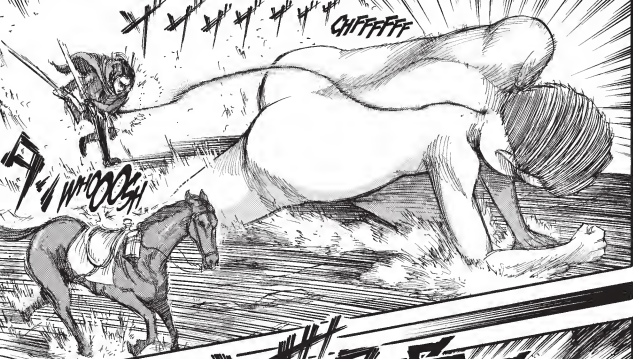
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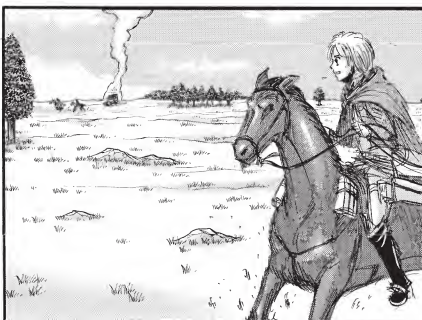
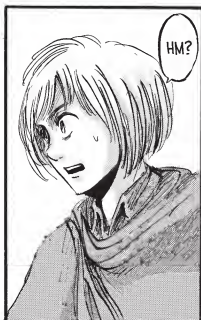
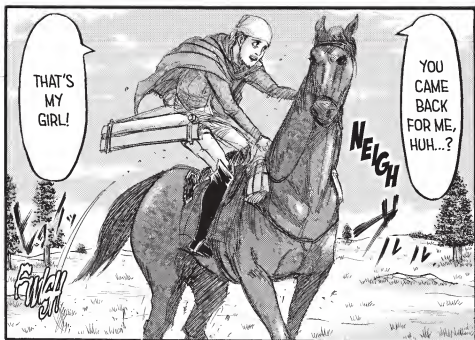
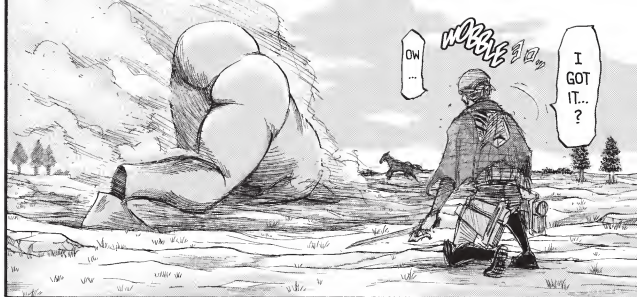
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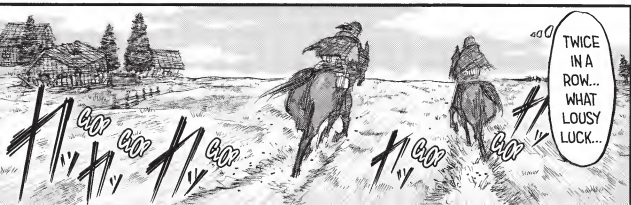
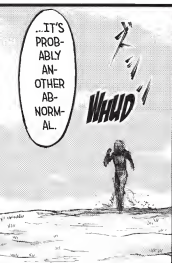
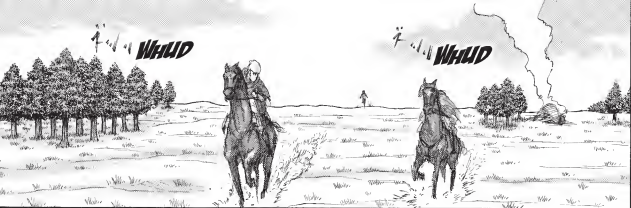
WHEEE

WHUMP









THIS IS
GONNA BE
TOUGH

?!

AND
THAT
LOOKS
TO BE A
14-
METER*
CLASS.

* ABOUT
46 FEET



IT'S
MOVING
TOO
FAST!!

WHAT IS
THAT?!

FOO OSSH



SHIT!

NO...!!
THEY'RE
RIGHT IN
ITS
PATH!!



WHUD





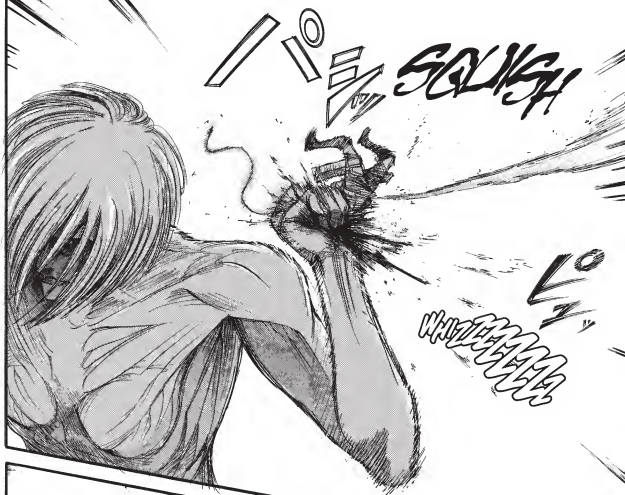
AAAAAH!



IT'S HEAD-ING FOR ARMIN ...

!!

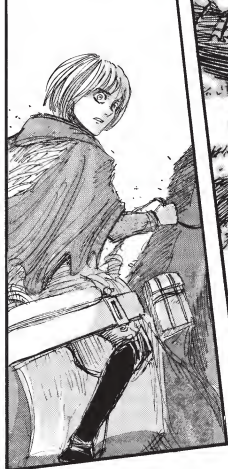






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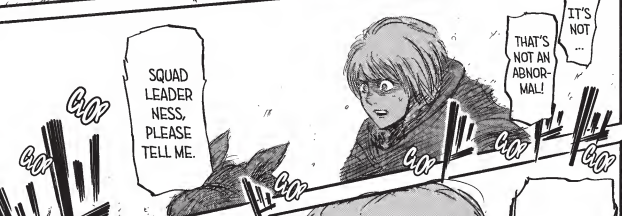
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NO
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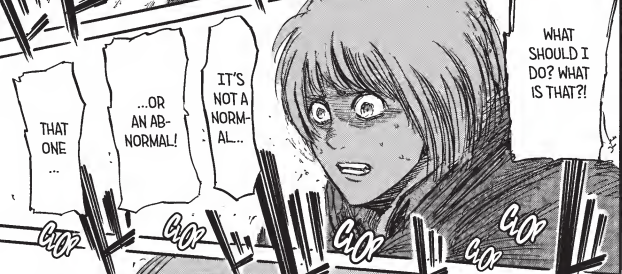
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SQUAD
LEADER
NESS,
PLEASE
TELL ME.

THAT'S
NOT AN
ABNOR-
MAL!

IT'S
NOT
...



WHAT
SHOULD I
DO? WHAT
IS THAT?!

THAT
ONE
...

...OR
AN AB-
NORMAL!

IT'S
NOT A
NORM-
AL...



...AND
EREN!

... THE
AR-
MORED
TITAN
...

LIKE THE
COLOS-
SUS
TITAN...

...IS
INTELLI-
GENT!

I'M GONNA
DIE, TOO!!
IT'S GONNA
KILL ME!!

WHAT
DO I
DO?!

THIS
IS
BAD
!!

THEN IT
MUST BE A
HUMAN IN
THE BODY
OF A
TITAN!!

B-
BUT WHO
...?!

WHY?!
WHY
WOULD
ANYONE
DO
THIS?!

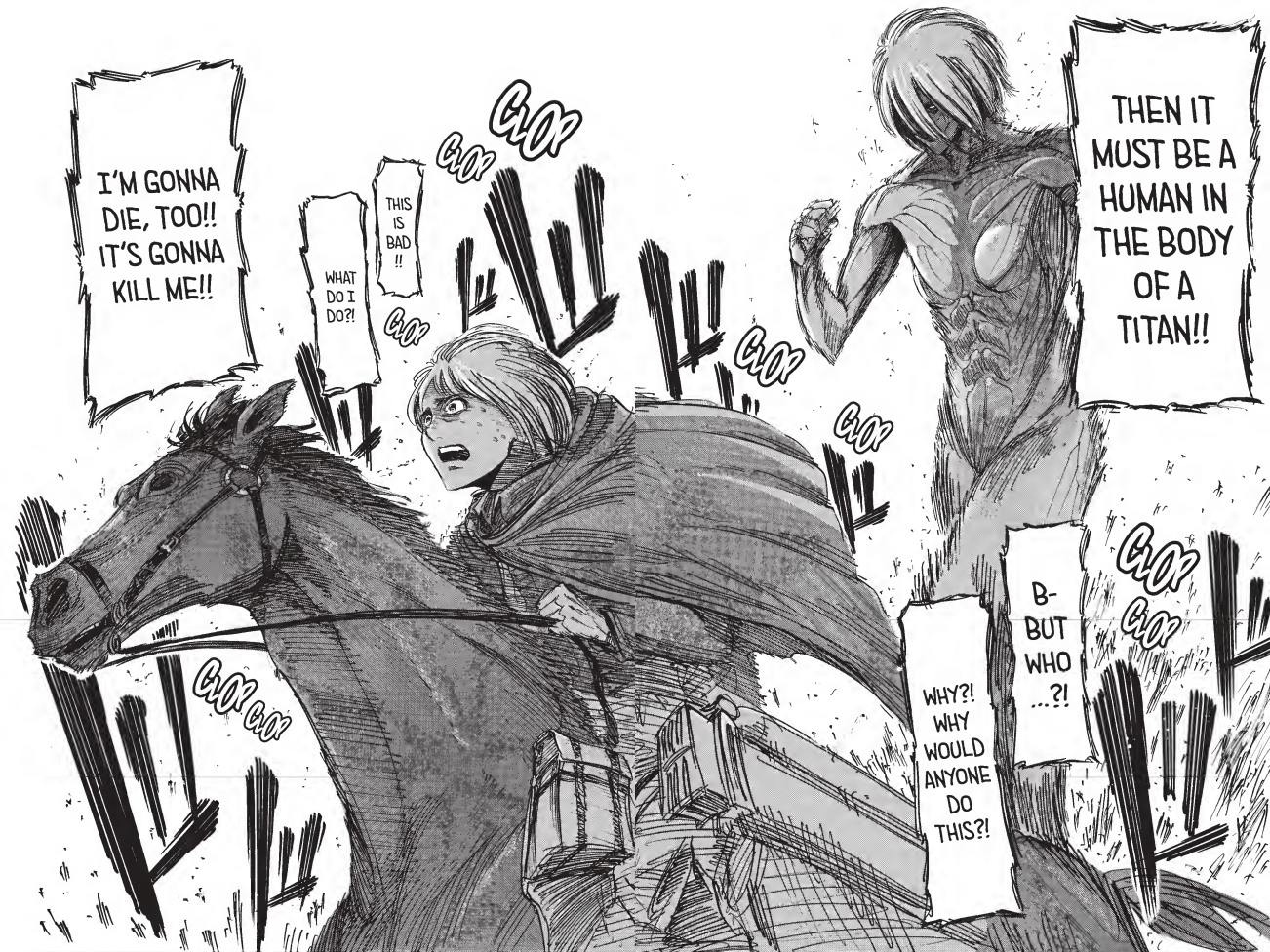
CROP
CROP

CROP

CROP

CROP
CROP

CROP
CROP



SPGH

FIRST COLUMN, TENTH:
SCOUTS



TELL
THE
OTHERS
...

SOME-
BODY...

ウハハハ
Whud S...

A FEMALE-
TYPE... LED
A HORDE OF
TITANS
HERE...

Whud
ウハハハ

...
WIPED
OUT...

RIGHT
FLANK...
SCOUTING
SQUAD IS
NEARLY...

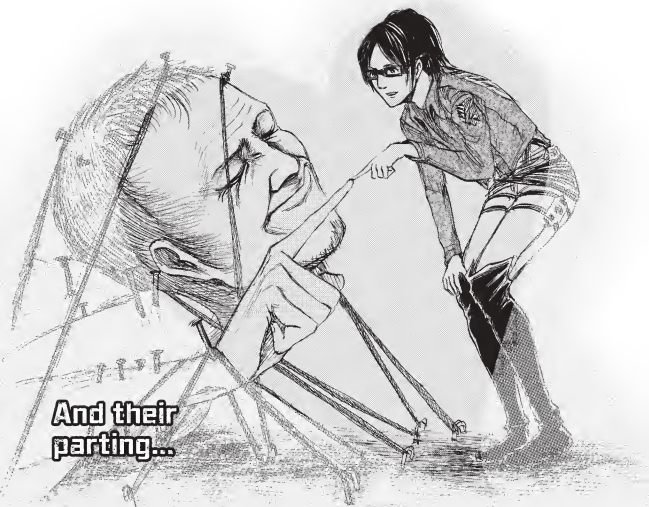
ウハハハ
THE
FORMA-
TION...
IS
GONNA
BE
DE-
STROY-
ED...

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WE'LL
BE...
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ATED
...!

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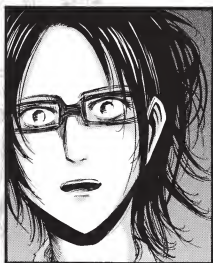
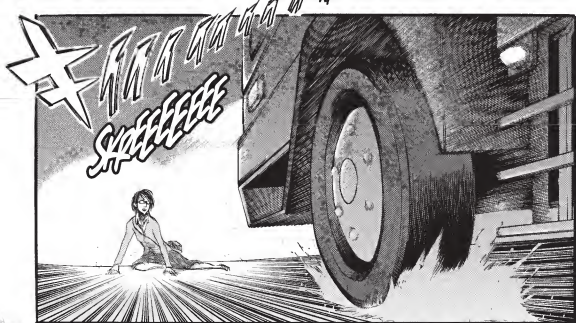
**Their meeting
that transcended
race...**



**And their
parting...**

BRINGS A MIRACLE INTO THE WORLD!

SEPTEMBER 2013! [REALLY!]



A LOVE THAT OVERCAME TABOO

* Not a real preview.

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Translation Notes

YMIR, PAGE 12 [12.5]

NO SPOILERS HERE, BUT IN NORSE MYTHOLOGY, YMIR WAS THE PRIMEVAL GIANT SLAIN BY ODIN AND HIS BROTHERS. THEY CREATED THE EARTH FROM HIS BODY AND THE SEA FROM HIS BLOOD.

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